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MATTIE E. WITTER  
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT

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COUNCIL BLUFFS - IOWA

## Convention Roll

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\*Present at Department Convention. §Not now a member of the Order.

†Previously reported. ‡Deceased.

### Department Officers.

\*Mattie E. Witter, Council Bluffs.....President  
\*Fannie E. Warden, Burlington.....Senior Vice President  
\*Mary A. Tuttle, Greenfield.....Junior Vice President  
\*Cornelia T. Todd, Algona.....Treasurer  
Nancy Clapp, Chariton.....Chaplain  
\*Alice Cooper, Council Bluffs.....Secretary  
\*Carrie I. Netcott, Independence.....Inspector  
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\*Elsie B. Wade, Akron.....1. and 1. Officer  
\*Annie M. Kistner, Waterloo.....Editress and Press Correspondent  
\*Addie E. Unangst, Davenport.....Chief of Staff

### Executive Board.

\*Mary E. Snyder, E. Des Moines, 1324 Walker Street.....Chairman  
Emma H. Sheetz, Williamsburg.....Second Member  
Lennie W. Pickett, Marshalltown.....Third Member  
Margaret E. Meyers, Missouri Valley.....Fourth Member  
Elizabeth D. Beal, Belle Plaine.....Fifth Member

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‡Past National President.....Mary S. McHenry  
Denison, Ia.  
\*Past National President.....Jennie I. Berry  
Cedar Rapids, Ia.  
Past National Secretary.....Hannah R. Plimpton  
Cleveland, O.  
\*Past National Secretary.....George Wade McClellan  
Denison, Ia.  
Past National Chaplain.....Mary Garard Andrews  
Clinton, Ia.  
Past National Chaplain.....Sara L. Rothrock  
Past National Inspector.....Georgia B. Worker  
Davenport, Ia.  
Past National Inspector.....Clara E. Nichols  
§Past Instituting and Installing Officer.....Elith Train  
Fort Dodge, Ia.

*Past I. and I. Officer.....	Marie L. Basham Des Moines, Ia.
*Past National Council of Women.....	Estella Plopper Iowa Falls, Ia.
Past National Member Executive Board.....	Helen R. Griffith Cedar Rapids, Ia.
*Past National Member Executive Board.....	Frederica Philpot Dubuque, Ia.

### Past Department Presidents.

‡Mattie Dawson Burbage.....	1884-85
‡Hattie E. Marshall.....	1885-86
‡Clara E. Nichols (transferred to Oklahoma).....	1886-87
‡Mary Sears McHenry.....	1887-88
Myra E. Hankey (transferred to Illinois) Lakefield, Minn.....	1888-89
Lottie D. Ley.....	1889-90
Seraphine H. Osgood, Mt. Pleasant, Ia.....	1890-91
‡Clara Nichols.....	1891-92
Sara L. Rothrock, Sour Lake, Tex.....	1892-93
‡E. Flora Evans, died August 8, 1911.....	1893-4-5
Helen R. Griffith, Cedar Falls, Ia.....	1895-6-97
‡Georgia Wade McClellan, Denison, Ia.....	1897-98-99
Lizzie S. Hutchison, Lake City, Ia.....	1899-1900
*Christine Snyder Romans, Denison, Ia.....	1900-01
Georgia B. Worker, Davenport, Ia.....	1901-02
*Mira L. Parker, Des Moines, Ia.....	1902-03
‡Amanda Tisdell (transferred from Nebraska).....	
‡Jennie I. Berry, Cedar Rapids, Ia.....	1903-04
‡Frederica Philpot, 419 Bluff Street, Dubuque, Ia.....	1904-05
‡Eleanor J. Hawks, died February 27, 1913, Colfax, Ia.....	1905-06
‡Addie E. Unanget, 19 Walling Court, Davenport, Ia.....	1906-07
‡Estella E. Plopper, Iowa Falls, Ia.....	1907-08
*Lena T. Ring, 1540 Washington Avenue, Cedar Rapids, Ia.....	1908-09
‡Marie L. Basham, 803 Euclid Avenue, Des Moines, Ia.....	1909-10
‡Jennie Whedon, died August 21, 1913, Winterset, Ia.....	1910-11
*Ray M. Hanchett, Waverly, Ia.....	1911-12
*Sarah A. Fox, Muscatine, Ia.....	1912-13
Janette Todd (transferred from California and Nevada) Mar- shalltown, Ia.....	
Mattie E. Witter, Council Bluffs.....	1913-14

### Past Department Secretaries.

Maggie Monroe Rudisell, White Oaks, New Mexico.....	1884-85 86-87
Hannah R. Plimpton, 6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Ill.....	1887-88
Emma E. Buchanan.....	1888-89
Hannah R. Plimpton, Chicago, Ill.....	1889-90
Mary M. Welsh, Aurora, Ill.....	1890-91
Nannie B. Howe, Des Moines, Ia.....	1891-92
Senie R. Bye, Cedar Rapids, Ia.....	1892-93
‡Althea O. Conable, Clinton, Ia.....	1893-94 95

Florence Griffith Walters, Cedar Falls, Ia.....	1895-96-97
Helen R. Griffith, Cedar Falls, Ia.....	1897-98
Agnes Muir, Denison, Ia.....	1898-99
†Georgie Wade McClellan, Denison, Ia.....	1899-1900-01
June Allen Concannon, Davenport, Ia.....	1901-02
Sarah A. Windsor, 669 W. Twentieth Street, Des Moines, Ia....	1902-03
Kathrine Farmer, Cedar Rapids, Ia.....	1903-04
Nellie P. Woodruff, Fairbault, Minn.....	1904-05
Nellie H. Witmer, Newton, Ia.....	1905-06
Maria Roraback, St. George, Ga.....	1906-07
*Clara Carpenter, Iowa Falls, Ia.....	1907-08
*Lydia W. Nott, Marion, Ia.....	1908-09
*Alcena Markle, Des Moines, Ia.....	1909-10
Rettie M. Greer, Winterset, Ia.....	1910-11
*Emma J. Gould (transferred from Idaho) Marshalltown, Ia.....	
*Kate Hanchett, Waverly, Ia.....	1911-12
*Sue Stanwood, Muscatine, Ia.....	1912-13
†Alice Cooper, Council Bluffs, Ia.....	1913-14

### Past Department Treasurers.

Mattie Allen, Agency, Ia.....	1884-85-86
Emily McCord, Des Moines, Ia.....	1886-87
†Georgia Wade McClellan, Denison, Ia.....	1887-88
‡Fannie Dorrance.....	1888-89
‡Mary Sears McHenry.....	1889-90
Augusta L. Cozier, Mt. Pleasant, Ia.....	1890-91-92
Laura Creighton, Phoenix, Ariz.....	1892 93-94
Nannie B. Howe, Des Moines, Ia.....	1894-95
Helen E. Longley, Vicksburg, Miss.....	1895-96-97
*Kate Hanchett, Waverly, Ia.....	1897-98-99
†Mira L. Parker, Des Moines, Ia.....	1899 1900-01
†Estella E. Plopper, Iowa Falls, Ia.....	1901-02-03
‡Mary B. Huffman.....	(transferred from Dakota)
Theresa Woodward (transferred from Nebraska).....	Red Oak, Ia.
Artie Brobst, Knoxville, Ia.....	1903-04-05
Jennie H. Trout, Des Moines, Ia.....	1905-06-07
Lenna C. Leaming, Deer Lodge, Mont.....	1907-08-09
Jessie McKay, Decorah, Ia.....	1909-10-11
*Mira O. McFarland, Chariton, Ia.....	1911-12-13
†Cornelia T. Dodd, Algona, Ia.....	1913-14

# Corps Presidents, Past Presidents and Representatives by Election

## JEWETT CORPS NO. 2, NEVINVILLE.

Organized December 31, 1883.

Alice Gissible .....President

### Past Presidents.

‡Nancy Jewett .....	1884-85
Mary Beebe .....	1886
Clara Delaney .....	1887
Mary E. Beebe (transferred).....	1888
Alma A. Austin (transferred).....	1889-90
Mary E. Beebe.....	1891-92
Alma A. Austin.....	1893-94
Maria J. Cox.....	1895
‡Agnes Miner .....	1896
May L. Buell (transferred).....	1897-98-99
Laura Foster (transferred).....	1900
‡Minnie E. Ross.....	1901-02-03
‡Agnes J. Miner.....	1904
Minnie E. Ross (transferred).....	1905-06
Emma Patterson .....	1907-08-09
Alice Martin .....	1910-11
Alice Williamson .....	1912
Elma Truman .....	1913
Clara Seeley .....	Delegate
Lucy Taylor .....	Alternate

## GARRETT CORPS NO. 3, NEWTON.

Organized December 7, 1883

Kate Keith .....President

### Past Presidents.

‡Margaret Carns .....	1884-85
‡Cornelia Meyers .....	1886
‡Anna Patterson .....	1887-88
Ella M. Townsend.....	1889-90
Lucretia Lester .....	1891
Delia B. Meredith.....	1892
Louise E. Williams.....	1893
Mary Bowker .....	1894
‡Cynthia Cross .....	1895
‡Sarah J. Wilson.....	1896

‡Martha E. Miller.....	1897
Lucy E. Failor.....	1898
‡Harriett C. Burns.....	1899
Mary E. Battles.....	1900-01-02
‡Anna M. Patterson.....	1903
Sarah A. Hall.....	1904
Nellie Hawk Witmer.....	1905
‡Martha A. Warner.....	1906
Mary A. Reynolds.....	1907
Mary C. Engle (transferred) .....	1908
Hattie Reynolds .....	1909
Alice Preston .....	1910
Emma Bates .....	1911
Katherine Drew .....	1912
Anna Lattimer .....	1913
*Katherine Drew .....	Delegate
*Emma Bates .....	Delegate
Hattie Reynolds .....	Alternate
Rachel Frizell .....	Alternate

### BEN PAUL CORPS NO. 4, WYOMING.

Organized December 14, 1883.

*Mary A. Brown.....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Hattie E. Marshall.....	1884-85-86-87-88-89
Cynthia E. McDaniel.....	1890
Alice A. Loomis.....	1891-92-93-94-95
Isabel Smith (transferred).....	1899-1900
‡Alice A. Loomis.....	1901-02-03
Eliza Morse .....	1904
Edith Marshall .....	1905
Eugenia Hepler (transferred).....	1906-07
Mary A. Brown.....	1908
Janet Robertson .....	1909
Mary A. Brown.....	1910-1911-12-13
*Mary Platner .....	Delegate
Mary Smith .....	Alternate

### E. D. DUNCAN CORPS NO. 5, COLEFAX.

Organized April 16, 1884.

Nettie Cragan .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Emma J. Fields.....	1884-85
Nettie Cragan .....	1886-87-88
‡Anna Slavens .....	1889-90
‡Eleanor J. Hawk.....	1891-92
Rebecca Stephenson .....	1893
Nettie Cragan .....	1894-95

§Mary S. Croselius.....	1896
Phoebe L. Pope.....	1897
Sarah King.....	1898
‡Ila S. Meyer.....	1899-1900
‡Eleanor J. Hawk.....	1901-02-03
Hattie Owens.....	1904
Adelia V. Weaver.....	1905-06
Elizabeth Stayner.....	1907
‡Eleanor J. Hawk.....	1908-09-10-11-12
Nettie Cragan.....	1913
*Celina Campbell.....	Delegate
Alice Rorabaugh.....	Alternate

### **GORDON GRANGER CORPS NO. 6, GRINNELL.**

**Organized April 16, 1884.**

Mary O. Morris.....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

‡Sarah E. Inman.....	1884
§Belle D. Onthank.....	1885
Hannah M. Gue.....	1886-87
‡Susie C. Day.....	1888
‡Elvira M. Seaman.....	1889
Mary E. V. Gage (transferred).....	1890-91
§Belle Wheeler.....	1892
Tillie Allen.....	1893
Hannah M. Gue.....	1894-95
Emily E. Davis.....	1896-97
§Cynthia Cross.....	1898
Hannah M. Gue.....	1899-1900-01-02
Susan Bortell.....	1903-04
Mary E. V. Gage.....	1905-06-07
Sarah O. Davis.....	1908
Sarah Campbell.....	1909
Nancy E. Barr.....	1910
‡Sarah A. Laros.....	1911-12
Lina Chapin.....	1913
Funice Bryan.....	Delegate
Theressa Stowe.....	Alternate

### **COTRELL CORPS NO. 7, HULL.**

**Organized February 19, 1884.**

Margaret Brown.....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

‡Mattie J. Gardiner.....	1884-85
‡P. S. Zimmerman.....	1886
Mattie J. Gardiner.....	1887
‡Clara D. Rombaugh.....	1888-89
§Sarah Harrington.....	1890-91



Adelaide A. Ballard.....	1892
§Myra Hollister .....	1893-94
Maggie Brown .....	1895
Lizzie Swafford (transferred No. 147).....	1896
Mary Newell .....	1897
Cena B. Tamplin.....	1898
§Carrie George .....	1899
Mary Beckman .....	1900-01
‡Mary Lee Sawyer.....	1902
Mary Beckman .....	1903
Luna E. Still.....	1904
Mary Beckman (transferred to Dept. Oregon).....	1905
Anna M. Kloeck (transferred to No. 87).....	1906-07
Dessie Warren .....	1908
Mary Beckman .....	1909
Mary M. Lickle (transferred to Dept. Oregon).....	1910
Luna Still .....	1911
Ella Mackie .....	1912
Margaret Brown .....	1913
*Ada M. Fox.....	Delegate
Nellie Merrill .....	Alternate

### FRANK M. THOMAS CORPS NO. 9, MARSHALLTOWN.

Organized August 13, 1884.

Maude Troutner .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Laura J. Cope.....	1884-85
Harriett L. Sutton.....	1886
‡Anna M. Brown.....	1887
§Mattie A. Tobey.....	1888
§Anna M. Brock.....	1889
‡Alice Reed .....	1890-91
Mattie A. Tobey (transferred).....	1892
Lillian Norton .....	1893
Christine Patterson .....	1894
‡Ellen Waas .....	1895
‡Alice C. Reed.....	1896
E Jennie Smith.....	1897
Harriet Sutton .....	1898
Celia M. White.....	1899
‡Alice C. Reed.....	1900-01
Louise Johnson .....	1902-03
‡Dr. Rose Liebig.....	1904-05-06
Ada Harris .....	1907
Helen Anderson .....	1908
Louise Johnson .....	1909
Clarissa Bigelow .....	1910
Nellie LaShelle (transferred to No. 19).....	1911-12
Maude Troutner .....	1913
‡Cloe E. Cole.....	(transferred from No. 108)
§Clara Swartz .....	(transferred from No. 120)

Ella Shoof .....	(transferred from No. 234)
Margerie Archer .....	(transferred from No. 194)
Evangeline Hambleton .....	(transferred from No. 275)
Embiazia Leon.....	(transferred from No. 275)
Lou Mitchell .....	(transferred from Dept. of Ohio)
*Ada Harris .....	Delegate
Lila Hull .....	Alternate

### GEN. N. B. BAKER CORPS NO. 10, CLINTON.

Organized July 7, 1884.

Martha White .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Mary Garard .....	1884
‡Emma Bulen .....	1885
‡Clara U. S. Hart.....	1886
‡Emma Bulen .....	1887
‡Mary Drake .....	1888
‡E. Flora Evans.....	1889-90
‡Emma Bulen .....	1891
‡E. Flora Evans.....	1892
‡Josephine Strohm .....	1893
‡Angeline Rumery .....	1894
‡E. Powers .....	1895
Mary Leslie .....	1896
Mary Piper.....	1897
Jennie Sutherland .....	1898
Mary Hill .....	1899
Eliza Cavilier .....	1900
Georgia Lea .....	1901
Margaret Pingle .....	1902
Millie Rickoff .....	1903
Georgia Lea .....	1904
Emma Inman .....	1905
Millie Rickoff .....	1906
Emily Clark .....	1907-08-09
Frances Aldrich .....	1910
Harriet Davis .....	1911
Georgia Lea .....	1912
Carrie Davidson .....	1913
*Effie Graffe .....	Delegate
Mrs. Machel .....	Alternate

### T. Z. COOK CORPS NO. 11, CEDAR RAPIDS.

Organized September 23, 1884.

Nettie M. Anderson.....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Olive Hart .....	1884
Lou McConahy .....	1885-86-87

§Sarah Dean .....	1888
Rebecca Spealman .....	1889-90
Sarah L. Rothrock.....	1891
Senie R. Bye.....	1892
Mary A. Lane.....	1893-94
Alice E. Tiffany.....	1895
Etta C. Jones.....	1896-97
†Jennie I. Berry.....	1898-99-1900-01
§Lou McPike .....	1902
Almina Guy .....	1903
*Hannah Goodwin .....	1904
Lucy Harmer .....	1905-06
Martha Coggeshell .....	1907-08-09
Katherine Farmer .....	1910
Myra L. Clark.....	1911
Lulu Richmond.....	(transferred from No. 182, Dept. Illinois)
Fannie L. Blazer.....	(Transferred from Dept. Illinois)
Lulu Richmond .....	(transferred from Dept. Illinois)
Minnie Sweet Skinner.....	(transferred from No. 15)
Frances L. Bl'ss.....	(transferred from No. 73)
†Lena T. Ring.....	(transferred from No. 73)
*Laura Belle Walker.....	1912
Emma Smith .....	(transferred from No. 126)
Anna A. Lilly.....	1913
*Anna A. Lilly.....	Delegate
*Nettie M. Anderson.....	Delegate
Dora Dewey .....	Delega e
Lizzie Snyder .....	Alternate
Hattie Hogan .....	Alternate
Mary I. Richards.....	Alternate

## J. C. MILLER CORPS NO. 12, BOONE.

Organized October 13, 1884.

Bessie Wenhart .....President

### Past Presidents.

*Mary J. Smith.....	1884-85
§Mary Simpson.....	1886
†Lucy Coe .....	1887-88
Susie L. Newcomb.....	1889-90
†Mary Moore .....	1891
Harriet S. Bell (transferred).....	1892
†Lucy M. Coe.....	1893
Nettie Ballinger .....	1894
Mary E. Sargent.....	1895-96
†Sarah Patrick .....	1897
†Mary Moore .....	1898
§Arminda Bixby .....	1899-1900
Mary E. Sargent.....	1901-02
Celia Rogers .....	1903
Bertha Patrick .....	1904-05
Sadie Eppler (transferred from No. 18).....	1906

Carrie Zanderholm .....	1907
§Elizabeth Yeager .....	1908
*Anna Wilcox .....	1909
Dorothy Sargent .....	1910
Bertha Patrick .....	1911
Adeline White .....	1912
Fannie Rose .....	1913
*Celia Rogers .....	Delegate
Nettie Ballenger .....	Alternate

### BRADEN CORPS NO. 14, PARKERSBURG.

Organized December 2, 1884.

*Ma'e Ferguson .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Phebe Wade .....	1884-85-86-87
Mary Hazard (transferred to No. 27).....	1888-89
Marintha Mack (transferred to Illinois).....	1890
†Hattie Byerly .....	1891
Lucy Moore (transferred to California).....	1892
Hattie Byerly .....	1893
Rose F. Archer (transferred).....	1894
Barbara Kemerer (transferred to Oklahoma).....	1895
Rose F. Archer.....	1896-97
Lu L. Schrack.....	1898-99-1900-01
Rose F. Archer.....	1902
§Retta Kaufman .....	1903
Mattie Meed .....	1904-05
*Lu L. Schrack .....	1906-07-08-09-10-11-12-13
Anna Bush .....	Delegate
Gertrude Poldeboer .....	Alternate

### ROBERT ANDERSON CORPS NO. 15, WATERLOO.

Organized December 18, 1884.

†Anna M. Kistner.....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

†Nancy A. Hafer.....	1885-86
Margaret Salisbury (transferred).....	1887
†Lydia LaBarre .....	1888
§Emma A. Whitenack.....	1889-90
§Elizabeth Stair .....	1891-92
†Nancy A. Hafer.....	1892-93
Charlotte E. Morgan (transferred to No. 153).....	1894-95
Ella Bronson .....	1896
Minnie Sweet (transferred to No. 11).....	1897
*Carrie M. Johnston.....	1898-99-1900-01
Julia M. White.....	1902
*Belle Julian .....	1903
Sarah Darlin .....	1904

Amelia Wyeth .....	1905
Anna M. Kistner.....	1906
Mary Kerr (transferred to Dept. Washington).....	1907
Carrie M. Johnston.....	1908
Julia Kerr .....	1909
Carrie Johnston .....	1910
Olive Stevens .....	1911-12
*†Anna M. Kistner.....	1913
*Eliza Munion .....	Delegate
*Charlotte Duke .....	Delegate
Lillian Norris .....	Alternate
Florence Dunkleburg .....	Alternate

### ISEMINGER CORPS NO. 17, CHARITON.

Organized April 16, 1885.

Sadie Householder .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Jessie W. Manning.....	1885
‡Alice Mitchell .....	1886-87-88
§Alice Bradick .....	1889-90
§Maggie Austin .....	1891-92
Emma Larimer .....	1893
‡H. M. Parmenter.....	1894-95-96
Nancy Clapp .....	1897-98-99
‡H. M. Parmenter.....	1900-01
*Ida M. Smythe .....	1902-03-04
‡Jennie Andrews .....	1905
†Mira O. McFarland.....	1906-07
Alice Becker .....	1908-09
‡Jennie Andrew .....	1910-11
Mary M. Graham.....	1912
*Sadie Householder .....	1913
*Alice Becker .....	Delegate
*Mina Larimer .....	Delegate

### W. C. CROOKS CORPS NO. 18, BOONE.

Organized January 30, 1885.

Elizabeth Reese .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Ruby Rhodes .....	1885
‡Mary A. McNeal.....	1886-87-88-89-90
Jenn'e Mann .....	1891
Lavina Black .....	1892
Elizabeth Reese .....	1893
Mary A. McNeal.....	1894-95
Matilda J. Backus.....	1896-97
§Anna L. Bowen.....	1898
Amanda Swick .....	1899-1900

Elizabeth Reese .....	1901-02
Eelle Campbell .....	1903
Amanda Swick .....	1904
Matilda Buckus .....	1905
Rebecca S. Hill .....	1906
Hennie Anderson .....	1907
Lavina Black .....	1908
Amanda Swick .....	1909
Estelle Stout .....	1910-11
Harriet Bell .....	(transferred from No. 12)
Sadie Eppel .....	(transferred from No. 12)
Amanda Swick .....	1912
*Maude E. Hill .....	1913
Maude E. Hill .....	Delegate
Rebecca Hill .....	Alternate

### **E. C. BUCKNER CORPS NO. 19, ELDORA.**

**Organized January 26, 1885.**

Etta Schweizer .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

‡Sarah L. McCoy .....	1885
§Lulu J. Smith .....	1886
§M. J. Weaver .....	1887-88
‡Sarah Peyton .....	1899
§Amanda Doren .....	1890
‡Carrie Harris .....	1891
Aggie Meader .....	1892
Emma Philips .....	1893
§Mary J. Weaver .....	1894-95-96-97-98-99-1900
Emma E. Phillips .....	1901
Florence Nelson .....	1902-03
Marie Anderson .....	1904-05
Abigail Runkle .....	1906
Clara Fisher .....	1907
Florence Nelson .....	1908
Agnes Collins .....	1909
Clara Noyer .....	1910
Florence Nelson .....	1911-12-13
Nellie La Shella (transferred from No. 9) .....	
Valentine Baker .....	Delegate
Florence Stanley .....	Alternate

### **FORT DONELSON CORPS NO. 20, FORT DODGE.**

**Organized February 4, 1885.**

*Mary A. Brown .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

‡Louise Arey (transferred to No. 26) .....	1885-86
Lavina Johnson (transferred to California) .....	1887

§Edith Train .....	1888-89
Mary A. Snook .....	1890-91
Nettie Guild .....	1892
‡Mary M. Hepler .....	1893
Margaret McLean .....	1894-95
Olive VanOrsdall .....	1896
‡Sophia Alstrand .....	1897
Emily Calkins .....	1898
§Julia Nelson .....	1899-1900
Rebecca Leahy (transferred to Dept. Mich.) .....	1901-02
*Belle C. Senn .....	1903
Katherine Brown .....	1904
Ida Bunnell .....	1905
Anna Colwell .....	1906
Eliza Temple .....	1907
Rebecca Wynn .....	1908
Anna Colwell .....	1909
Francis A. Beach .....	1910
Margaret E. Preston .....	1911
Jessie Ebersole .....	(transferred from No. 113)
Myrtle Nicholson .....	(transferred from No. 113)
Sarah Feeck .....	(transferred from No. 113)
Miriam Beresford .....	1912
*Mary C. Fisher .....	1913
*Amelia Nydeggar .....	Delegate
Rosa A. Wurtsmith .....	Alternate

### GEORGE STRONG CORPS NO. 21, FAIRFIELD.

Organized February 3, 1885.

*Emma F. Morrison .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Belle Brown .....	1885-86
S. J. Lynch .....	1887
*Maggie C. Gantz .....	1888
B. M. Mikesell .....	1889-90
Lenora Bell .....	1891-92
Julia V. McKee .....	1893
*Elizabeth Jaynes .....	1894
Mary E. Royce .....	1895
Maggie C. Gantz .....	1896
Lenora Bell .....	1897
Maggie E. Wilson .....	1898
‡Etta Crain .....	1899
Elizabeth Walmer .....	1900
Julia V. McKee .....	1901
‡Mollie Lynch .....	1902
Clara Sense .....	1903-04
Belle Case .....	1905
Maggie C. Gantz .....	1906
Emma L. Morrison .....	1907-08
Belle Case .....	1909
Laura Webber .....	1910

*Mary Turner .....	1911-12
Margaret C. Gantz .....	1913
*Orpha B. Turner.....	Delegate
Carrie Lynn .....	Alternate

### KINSMAN CORPS NO. 24, DES MOINES.

Organized February 12, 1885. ....

*Barbara E. Groves .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

†Clara E. Nichols .....	1885-86
†Nannie B. Howe .....	1887
‡Adelaide Thomas .....	1888
‡Lou M. Cully .....	1889
‡Linnie Stephenson .....	1890
‡Belle Paul .....	1891
Mary M. Phillips .....	1892
Frances J. Meyers.....	1893
‡Hattie A. Coleman (transferred to No. 27).....	1894-95
†Nannie B. Howe .....	1896
†Jennie Trout .....	1897
*Amy C. Capron .....	1898
Lillian A. Deemer .....	1899
‡Florence Miller .....	1900
Clemmie J. Carper.....	1901
†Mary E. Snyder .....	1902
†Marie L. Basham .....	1903
Ida Selover .....	1904
Lizzie Bishop (transferred to No. 154).....	1905
Mayme Eaton .....	1906
*Emma Williams .....	1907
†Alcena A. Markle .....	1908
Anna J. Stark .....	1909
Cora Eaton .....	1910
*Jennie Manbeck .....	1911
Jennie Young .....	(transferred from No. 150)
*Lizzie Leona Bunger .....	1912-13
Lizzie Leona Bunger.....	Delegate
*Olive Northup .....	Delegate
Eileen Sutton .....	Alternate
Bertha Stader .....	Alternate

### JAMES BROWNELL CORPS NO. 26, CEDAR FALLS.

Organized March 19, 1885.

Mary Rogers .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Sarah Townsend .....	1885-86
‡Mary Markley .....	1887-88
‡Lannie Hemenway .....	1889



Addie R. Humbert .....	1890-91
‡Lannie Hemenway .....	1892
‡Margaret Pierce .....	1893
§Ella K. Dinwiddie .....	1894
Fannie Clark .....	1895
Jennie B. Kingsbury .....	1896
†Nellie Pierce Woodruff (transferred to No. 170) .....	1897-98
‡Alice B. Newman .....	1899
†Frederica Philpot .....	1900-01-02
Carlie Boehmier .....	1903
Sophia Leland .....	1904-05
Florence Anderson .....	1906-07
Eleanor Wild .....	1908
‡Lannie G. Hemenway .....	1909
Cora A. Sheerer .....	1910-11
†Helen R. Griffith .....	(transferred from No. 33)
‡Louise H. Arey .....	(transferred from No. 20)
Anna Bell .....	(transferred from No. 95)
Jane A. Pierce .....	(transferred from No. 233)
Margaret Hemerling .....	(transferred from No. 228)
Cynthia A. Cross .....	(transferred from No. 6)
Eldora McCluskey .....	(transferred from No. 102)
Helen M. Stiles .....	(transferred from No. 127)
Anna C. Fay .....	1912
*Mary Rogers .....	1913
*Isabella Anderson .....	Delegate
Della Harrington .....	Delegate
Helen Stiles .....	Alternate
Addie Humbert .....	Alternate

### CROCKER CORPS NO. 27, DESMOINES.

Organized March 26, 1885.

\*Dawn B. Tullis .....President

#### Past Presidents.

Flora Sallade (transferred to California) .....	1885
Ellen S. Plumley .....	1886
‡Ida E. Baker .....	1887
Celia M. Hutchins (transferred) .....	1888
Mary B. Muffy .....	1889
Elizabeth G. Shankland .....	1890
Letta S. Hanger .....	1891
Mary L. Scanlan .....	1892
‡Mary A. Murphy .....	1893
Sarah A. Windsor .....	1894
Susan P. Walker .....	1895
†Myra L. Parker .....	1896
Cora G. Lowery (transferred to Oklahoma) .....	1897
Mary A. B. Leonard (transferred to Washington, D. C.) .....	1898
*Marie J. Bittinger .....	1899
Emma Masser .....	1900
Katherine H. Ridgeway .....	1901

Ella G. Herbert	1902
Lucinda E. Drake	1903
Alice M. Swanegan	1904
Mary J. Babcock	1905
May E. Jones	1906
*Anna C. Van Hoesen	1907
Mary W. Bixby	1908
*Mary W. Hazard (transferred from No. 14)	1909
Lillian Meskimens	1910
Eva M. Wilcox	1911
†Aunt Beckey Young	(transferred from No. 36)
Lucy Lambert	(transferred from No. 26)
Hattie Coleman	(transferred from No. 24)
Ruby Eckerson	(transferred from No. 14)
Sarah J. Parsons	(transferred from No. 166)
Hattie M. Reed	(transferred from No. 208)
Fose Archer	(trans from No. 14 to California)
Almina Truot Kiger	(transferred from No. 35)
Fannie C. Archer	(transferred from No. 332)
R. Anna Smith	(transferred from No. 71)
Eugenia Hepler	(transferred from No. 4)
Emma Campbell	(transferred from No. 45)
Anna Beers	1912
*Zenita Gifford	1913
*Sadie Bratly	Delegate
*Mrs M. Holliday	Delegate
Jennie Curry	Delegate
*Lucretia Stuckey	Alternate
Mary E. Merrill	Alternate
Lou Keefe	Alternate

### JOHN T. DRAKE CORPS NO. 28, BROOKLYN.

Organized March 13, 1885.

Susan Beaver ..... President

#### Past Presidents.

†Myra E. Hankey (transferred to Illinois)	1885-86
‡Sue J. Cummings	1887
Myra E. Hankey	1888
Margaret Bennett (transferred to No. 26)	1889
Myra E. Hankey	1890
Harriet M. Busby	1891
Elizabeth Dee	1892-93
Myra E. Hankey	1894
Sophia Paulsen	1895
Sue J. Cummings	1896
§Julia A. Conway	1897
Elizabeth Cain	1898-99
Elizabeth Dee	1900
Adella Carpenter	1901
‡Parmelia McLaughlin	1902
*Elouisa Byers	1903

Arminta Snyder .....	1904
Lucy Frease .....	1905
‡Fannie Dorrance .....	1906
Leona Waldorf .....	1907
Elizabeth Dee .....	1908
Sophie Paulsen .....	1909
‡Julia A. Billick .....	1910
Susan Bever .....	1911
Sophie Paulsen .....	1912
Elizabeth Dee .....	1913
Nellie Jones .....	Delegate
Leona Waldorf .....	Alternate

### W. A. MORSE CORPS NO. 29, MANCHESTER.

Organized April 11, 1885.

Anna C. Fishel .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Elizabeth Jones .....	1885
‡Eliza T. Day .....	1886
‡Hannah R. Eaton .....	1887
‡Emma P. Carr .....	1888
Eliza Day .....	1889
‡Mary Hoag .....	1890
*Elizabeth Carter .....	1891-92-93-94
Lydia VanAnda .....	1895
‡Elizabeth Jones .....	1896
‡Flora H. Bells .....	1897
‡Emma P. Carr .....	1898
Eliza J. W. Terrell .....	1899
‡Emma P. Carr .....	1900
Lida Elder .....	1901
Rebecca Huene .....	1902
Mary Crosby .....	1903
Anna Fishel .....	1904
Anna Glissendorf .....	1905
Kate Ellis .....	1906
Elizabeth Harrison .....	1907
Nellie Adams .....	1908
Lida Elder .....	1909
Lydia Smith .....	1910
Rebecca Huene .....	1911
Maria Hesner .....	1912-13
*Elizabeth Harrison .....	Delegate
Julia Brownell .....	Alternate

### GEN. LYONS CORPS NO. 30, CLARION.

Organized April 22, 1885.

Addie V. Goslin .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

‡Jennie A. Entrekin .....	1885-86
‡Julia A. Fox .....	1887
Emily Alder .....	1888-89
Ella Brown .....	1890
‡Eliza J. Nelson .....	1891
§Emily C. Alder .....	1892
‡Adaline Fox .....	1893
Kate Walker .....	1894-95
Mary J. Brown .....	1896
§Kate Walker .....	1897
§Myrtle Carr .....	1898-99-1900-01-02-03-04-05-06
Elizabeth Tresner .....	1907
Mary Swartzendrover .....	1908-09-10
Mary Penfield .....	1911-12
Mary Kirkpatrick .....	1913
*Bonnie Taylor .....	Delegate
Mary Swartzendrover .....	Alternate

**JOHN L. BASHORE CORPS NO. 32, CENTERVILLE.****Organized May 23, 1885.**

*Nan Elliott .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

§Susie J. Wentworth .....	1885-86
Fannie A. Walden .....	1887
§Sarah Kellogg .....	1888-89
§Cill S. Fee .....	1890
Nan Elliott .....	1891-92
‡Sadie E. James .....	1893
‡Maggie G. Replogie .....	1894
Lucretia A. Carlton .....	1895-96
Nan Elliott .....	1897
Hattie Pixley .....	1898
‡Sadie E. James .....	1899
Nan Elliott .....	1900-01-02
Mary L. Root (transferred) .....	1903
Nan Elliott .....	1904-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13
*Lo's A. Lenington .....	Delegate
Della O. Hair .....	Alternate

**McFARLAND CORPS NO. 33, MOUNT PLEASANT.****Organized May 15, 1885.**

‡Augusta L. Cozier .....	1885
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**Past Presidents.**

*Lizzie Arrowsmith .....	1885
§Myra B. Woolson .....	1886
Helen R. Griffith (transferred to No. 26) .....	1887-88
Seraphine H. Osgood .....	1889-90

§Vida N. Wing .....	1890
Belle Coddington .....	1891
Emma C. Bachelder .....	1892-93
Olive G. Wayman .....	1894
*Jessie R. White .....	1895-96
Laura N. Kitchen .....	1902
*Vashti M. Williams .....	1899-1900
Eliza Sater .....	1901
Laura N. Kitchen .....	1902
Lillie S. Leisenring .....	1903
*Ida VanHon .....	1904
Augusta Cozier .....	1905-06-07
*Margaret E. Laird .....	1908-09
*Augusta L. Cozier .....	1910-11-12-13
*Emma Huebner .....	Delegate
Mary B. Young .....	Alternate

### AUGUST WENTZ CORPS NO. 34, DAVENPORT.

Organized May 5, 1885.

*Kittie B. Gay .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Augusta Marks .....	1885
§Jennie McKowen .....	1886-87
§Hattie A. Pearn .....	1888
Kate Raff .....	1889-90
§Jennie Grupe .....	1891
Elvira Hathway .....	1892
Lavenie Rockford .....	1893
*Kate Raff .....	1894
†Georgia B. Worker (transferred from Illinois) .....	1895-96
Maria Roraback (transferred) .....	1897
Christie Hickey .....	1898
†Addie E. Unangst .....	1899-1900
Mattie Newcomb .....	1901
Mary E. Bowling .....	1902-03
June Allen Concannon .....	1904-05
Julia Karwath .....	1906
Ida Groves .....	1907
Mattie E. Crippen .....	1908
Kate Block .....	1909
*Mattie E. Crippen .....	1910-11
*Mary Heesch .....	1912
*Ida Groves .....	1913
*Ida Groves .....	Delegate
Sophia H. Osborn .....	Alternate

### HYDE CLARK CORPS NO. 37, DUBUQUE.

Re-organized July 10, 1897.

*Helen South .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

‡Sidney Smith .....	1885-86
‡Jennie Calahan .....	1887-88
‡Mary E. Wicklin .....	1889
Amelia Lillig .....	1890
§Anna Young .....	1891-92
‡Sarah Hammel .....	1893
‡Ada Nitterauer .....	1894
Elizabeth Longueville .....	1895-96
‡Nellie McGee .....	1897
Belle T. Rodell .....	1898-99
Anna Young .....	1900
Mary Whitby .....	1901-02
Elizabeth M. Saunders .....	1903-04-05
Mary Hanson .....	1905-07-08
Martha Poor .....	1909
Rose E. Miner .....	1910-11
*May Pier .....	1912-13
Josephine Frost .....	(transferred from No. 299)
*Matilda Nesler .....	Delegate
*Mary Schmitt .....	Delegate
Dora Gibbs .....	Alternate
Mary Young .....	Alternate

**ALLISON CORPS NO. 38, AUDUBON.****Organized May 26, 1885.**

\*Annis L. Weighton ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

§Emma Kimball (transferred) .....	1885-86
§Alice M. Consigny .....	1887
‡Lydia E. Rosenberg .....	1888
Fannie Talbot (transferred to Dakota) .....	1889-90
§Alice M. Consigny .....	1891
§Ella L. Bell .....	1892
Lydia E. Rosenberg .....	1893
Fannie Talbot (transferred to Dept. North Dakota) .....	1894
§Delia Ott .....	1895-96
Lydia A. Chandler .....	1897
Eliza Moyer .....	1898
Minerva Cole (transferred to California) .....	1899-1900
‡Mina Burtch .....	1901
§Charity Aldrich .....	1902
§Agnew Cole .....	1903-04-05-06-07
Mary A. Kraus .....	1908
Livina McGinnis .....	1909
Minerva Cole .....	1910
*Eliza J. Moyer .....	1911-12-13
Nettie Ward .....	Delegate
Bertha Johnson .....	Alternate

**I. G. IRELAND CORPS NO. 39, SIBLEY.****Organized August 18, 1885.**

Ella Mitchell .....President\*

**Past Presidents.**

‡Amanda M. Haslip .....	1885
‡Mary A. Wright .....	1886
‡Emily Manderville .....	1887
‡Hattie E. Perry .....	1888
Maria M. Fenton .....	1889
Lucy L. Morrison .....	1890
Lavina Morey .....	1891
Maria M. Fenton .....	1892-93
‡Irene P. Bailey .....	1894-95-96
Emily Meader .....	1897
Ida Burton .....	1898-99
Lucy A. Romey .....	1900-01
§Lenora Bennett .....	1902-03-04-05
Harriet Reagan .....	1906-07
Lucy A. Romey .....	1908-09
Harriet Reagan .....	1910-11
Ella Mitchell .....	1912-13
Ella Mitchell .....	Delegate
Lovina Morey .....	Alternate

**ABERNETHY CORPS NO. 41, WEST UNION.****Organized August 29, 1885.**

Ella F. Howe .....President

**Past Presidents.**

§Elizabeth Robinson .....	1885-86
Sarah F. Lakin .....	1887
Elizabeth Robinson .....	1888
§Aylia T. Talmage .....	1889
§Addie Graham .....	1890
‡Mary J. Pierce .....	1891-92
§Susan M. Ketchum .....	1893
‡Emma R. Cook .....	1894-95
Roxie A. Fitch .....	1896
Addie Graham .....	1897
Mary E. Finch .....	1898-99
Mary J. Pierce .....	1900
Mattie Hiding .....	1901-02
Mary A. Burrett .....	1903
Harriet E. Fraverd .....	1904-05
Roxie A. Fitch .....	1906
Harriet E. Fraverd .....	1907
Isabel Reeder .....	1908
Mari Mackey .....	1909
Rebecca Kuhnes .....	1910

Mary Wade .....	1911
Mary A. Burrett .....	1912-13
Eva Ostrander .....	Delegate
Estella Richmond .....	Alternate

### I. M. HUSTON CORPS NO. 42, VICTOR.

Organized October 10, 1885.

Eliza Barker .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

†Isabelle D. Huston .....	1885-86
§A. E. Sheldon .....	1887
†Mary J. Howard .....	1888-89
§Sarah Negley .....	1890
M. A. Harper (transferred) .....	1891
Mary J. Howard .....	1892-93
Mary A. Harper .....	1894
Almira Whitworth (transferred to Dept. Wash ng ton) .....	1895
§Dora A. Wilkins .....	1896
Nellie Knox .....	1897
Mary A. Harper .....	1898-99
§Mary E. Genzley .....	1900
Mary A. Harper .....	1901-02
Mary J. Howard .....	1903
Elizabeth Steffy .....	1904-05-06
†Olive Hemstreet .....	1907-08
Jennie Ferguson .....	1909
Clara G. Steffy .....	1910-11
Alice Craft .....	1912-13
Elizabeth Steffy .....	Delegate
Cora Sheridan .....	Alternate

### VOORHIES CORPS NO. 43, ELDON.

Organized September 21, 1885.

Allie Davis .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Phoebe Whiteny .....	1885-86-87
§Miranda Crow .....	1888
§Minnie Hilles .....	1889
†Lenora Bostick .....	1890
§Kate Wise .....	1891-92-93
§Emma Houghland .....	1894
Marietta McDonald .....	1895
†Hannah E. Wright .....	1896-97
§Susa Friend .....	1898
Sarah Murphy .....	1899
†Sarah Watts .....	1900
§Carrie Martin .....	1901
Elizabeth Enyart .....	1902-03-04-05



‡Cynthia Williamson .....	1906
Martha Wilson .....	1907
§Amanda L. Quigley .....	1908
Elizabeth Enyart .....	1909-10-11-12-13
Anna Hughes .....	Delegate
Margaret Gaskings .....	Alternate

### I. G. WHITE CORPS NO. 45, WASHINGTON.

Organized December 15 1885.

*Mary E. Boice.....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Belle Bunker .....	1885-86
‡Laveria Stewart .....	1887
‡Sue M. Baughman .....	1888
Mattie Foster .....	1889
‡Bashie Burroughs .....	1890
§Ida J. Hise .....	1891
Nancy McCurdy .....	1892
Armeda Wiley .....	1893
Laveria Stewart .....	1894
Jennie Titus .....	1895-96
§Ella Savage .....	1897
§Belle Schrader .....	1898
Arminda Wiley .....	1899
Sadie Reeves .....	1900-01
Josephine Stiles .....	1902
Eva Durst .....	1903
Maggie Robertson .....	1904
Eliza Sigler .....	1905
Alma Thomas .....	1906-07
*Lou Reister .....	1908
*Nora Bryson .....	1909-10
Julia Cavender .....	1911
Enior Campbell .....	(transferred from No. 221)
Julia Cavender .....	1912
Elizabeth White .....	1913
*Lucile Dupuis .....	Delegate

### W. C. DIMITT CORPS NO. 46, MOUNT VERNON.

Organized November 29, 1885.

Clara A. B. Spear .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Sarah J. Lozier.....	1885-86
Addie M. Kepler .....	1887
Clara H. Smith .....	1888
‡Lydia Johns .....	1889
Clara A. B. Smith.....	1890
Mary A. B. Meyer.....	1891

Addie M. Kepler .....	1892-93
Alma Rigby .....	1894
Addie Sherwood .....	1895
Una Power .....	1896
Lottie Stevenson (transferred) .....	1897
Clara A. B. Smith .....	1898-99
Sadie Mae Hale (transferred) .....	1900
Anna Zache .....	1901
Nettie R. Dawson (transferred) .....	1902
Clara A. B. Smith .....	1903
Mary L. Kibbee .....	1904
Dr. Kate Mason Hogle .....	1905
Ellen A. Strother .....	1906-07
Sarah Elrod .....	1908-09-10
Clara A. B. Smith .....	1911-12
Clara A. B. Spear .....	1913
Una Power .....	Delegate
Louise F. Gilliland .....	Alternate

### CHARLES PAYNE CORPS NO. 48, IOWA FALLS.

Organized January 7, 1886.

Flora P. Wilbur .....President

#### Past Presidents.

§Addie Caldwell .....	1886-87
‡Louisa G. Stoddard .....	1888
Sabra C. Calkin .....	1889
Edith E. Evans .....	1890-91
Julia A. Holmes .....	1892
‡Ella Benshoof .....	1893
†Estella Plopper .....	1894
Sarah E. Carpenter .....	1895
§Francis H. Bywater .....	1896
Susan Hill (transferred) .....	1897
Ella Benshoof .....	1898
Fannie Conenhöver .....	1899
‡Ella Benshoof .....	1900
Sarah E. Carpenter .....	1901
†Estella E. Plopper .....	1902
‡Ella Benshoof .....	1903
†Clara Carpenter .....	1904-05
Kate Hartman .....	1906-07
Lila A. Hall (transferred to No. 9) .....	1908
†Clara Carpenter .....	1909
Sarah E. Carpenter .....	1910
Achsah Lawrence .....	1911
Elfie Robertson .....	(transferred from No. 260)
Vera G. Hills .....	1912
Flora P. Wilbur .....	1913
*Retta M. Ives .....	Delegate
Julia A. Holmes .....	Alternate

**N. H. POWERS CORPS NO. 50, SCRANTON.****Organized January 15, 1886.**

Elnora Dunell .....President

**Past Presidents.**

‡Emma C. Brown .....	1886-87
‡Alice E. Perkins .....	1888-89
§Lodusky Badger .....	1890
‡Helen Moss .....	1891-92
Hattie Johnson (transferred) .....	1893-94
§Minnie Pitcher .....	1895
Amanda Hall .....	1896
‡Alice E. Perkins .....	1897
‡Emma C. Brown .....	1898
Hattie Johnson .....	1899
Violet Fey .....	1900
‡Sophia Teiteort .....	1901
‡Helen Moss .....	1902
Hattie Johnson .....	1903
Alice E. Perkins .....	1904
Hattie Johnson .....	1905
Amanda Hall .....	1906-07
Violet Fey .....	1908-09
Melissa Garland .....	1910-11-12
Elnora Dunell .....	1913
Amanda Hall .....	Delegate
Katherine Dunning .....	Alternate

**DUNLAP CORPS NO. 55, ROCK RAPIDS.****Organized 1886.**

Nettie Thompson .....President

**Past Presidents.**

§Emma D. Anderson .....	1886
§A. Vanderwerker .....	1887
Disbanded .....	1888
§Lois Aldrich .....	1894
§Emma C. Gardner .....	1895
Nettie Thompson .....	1896
§Jennie Barrett .....	1897
Nettie Thompson .....	1898-99-1900-01
Almeda Jessup .....	1902
Nettie Thompson .....	1903-04-05
Louisa Woodward .....	1906
Nettie Thompson .....	1907-08-09-10-11-12-13
Nettie Thompson .....	Delegate
Martha Taylor .....	Alternate

**JOHN A. LOGAN CORPS NO. 56, DENISON.****Organized March 12, 1886.**

Christine S. Romans .....President

**Past Presidents.**

‡Mary S. McHenry .....	1886
Janette C. Wright (transferred to Oklahoma) .....	1887
J. Hefflefinger (transferred to California) .....	1888
Lottie Stocking Lev. ....	1889
Georgia W. McClellan .....	1890
Lottie Stocking .....	1891
Mattie M. ShanVan .....	1892
Mattie Shaw Van .....	1893
Mattie James .....	1894
‡Georgia W. McClellan .....	1895-96-97
Mattie Shaw Van .....	1898
‡Mary S. McHenry .....	1899
‡Mettie L. Romans .....	1900
‡Mary S. McHenry .....	1901
Laura R. Baer .....	1902
‡Emma L. Hunt .....	1903
Josephine Scaggs .....	1904
Laura Baer .....	1905-06-07
Emma M. Boylan .....	1908-09
‡Annette Wheeler .....	1910-11
‡Christine S. Romans .....	(transferred from No. 27)
Mina Cavette .....	1912-13
Georgia Schwartzenbach .....	Delegate
Natalie Jacobsen .....	Alternate

**COL. HUGHES CORPS NO. 58, DECORAN.****Organized March 19, 1886.**

*Della G. Miller .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

§Ann M. Pennington .....	1886-87
‡Anna M. Williams .....	1888-89
Anna Cadwell .....	1890
Anna M. Williams .....	1891
Anna Cadwell .....	1892
§Oliette Thomson .....	1893
§Lena Francisco .....	1894
§Jennie Auchmoody .....	1895
Anna Cadwell .....	1896-97-98-99-1900
‡Jessie McKay .....	1901
Della Miller .....	1902
Anna Cadwell .....	1903-04
§Mary J. Couse .....	1905
§Louisa Headinton .....	1906
§Nora Coffeen .....	1907-08
Anna M. Severson .....	1909
Anna Cadwell .....	1910-11-12
Della G. Miller .....	1913
Margaret Draper .....	Delegate
*Edith Hanswirth .....	Delegate

**A. P. NORTON CORPS NO. 60, NEW HAMPTON.****Organized March 16, 1886.**

Allie Plummer .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Eilen S. Wright .....	1886-87
Eugenia F. Powers .....	1888-89
Maria P. Rowley .....	1890
Ellen S. Wright .....	1891
Emma A. Babcock .....	1892
Ellen S. Wright .....	1893
Mattie Kenyon .....	1894-95-96-97
Lucy Kenyon .....	1898
Sarah Gabrilson .....	1899-1900
Lucy Kenyon .....	1901-02-03
Eugenia F. Powers .....	1904-05-06
Eva R. Wing .....	1907
Lydia Snyder .....	1908
Eugenia Powers .....	1909-10
Emma A. Babcock .....	1911-12
Allie Plummer .....	1913
*Susan Sherwood .....	Delegate
Louise Kemman .....	Alternate

**J. B. CARPENTER CORPS NO. 61, FREDERICKSBURG.****Organized April 3, 1886.**

Jennie Coleman .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Mary M. Carpenter .....	1886-87
Emily Dayton .....	1888
§Louise M. Hale .....	1889-90
§Antoinette Smith .....	1891
Hattie Kidder .....	1892-93
Allie Plumber .....	1894-95
Addie Fay .....	1896
Emma Swanger .....	1897
Allie Plumber .....	1898-99
Antoinette Smith .....	1900
Allie Plumber .....	1901-02
Addie Fay .....	1903
§Anna L. Ham .....	1904
Allie Plumber .....	1905-06-07
Addie Fay .....	1908
Allie Plumber .....	1909
Emogene Stowers .....	1910-11-12
Emma J. Ward .....	1913
Lola Chandler .....	Delegate
Jane Fox .....	Alternate

**C. E. MATHIES CORPS NO. 62, BURLINGTON.****Organized April 21, 1886.**

\*Emma Behrens .....President

**Past Presidents.**

§Kittie W. Perkins .....	1886-87
§Ruth A. Crapo .....	1888-89
Emma J. Carson .....	1890-91
§Inez L. Weaver .....	1892-93-94
†Fannie E. Warden .....	1895-96
*Emma J. Carson .....	1897
*Hattie Croft .....	1898-99
Iona N. Shryock .....	1900
*Margaret Stelling .....	1901
Inez L. Weaver .....	1902
§Vian A. Lyons .....	1903
*Frances Rogers .....	1904
Hilda Sanquist (transferred) .....	1904-05
‡Augusta P. Daniels .....	1906-07-08
*Mary E. Gantz .....	1909
*Della Allender .....	1910-11
Mary Gantz .....	1912
Emma Behrens .....	1913
*Emma C. Adams .....	Delegate
Nelle Lupton .....	Alternate

**CENTER CORPS NO. 64, RANDALL.****Organized March 26, 1886.**

Anna Beman .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Fannie Wilder .....	1886
Sarah A. Torrey .....	1887
‡Electa J. Bratt .....	1888
†Harriet Bacon .....	1889
Adelia Odekirk .....	1890
§Ida Austin .....	1891
Sarah A. Torrey .....	1892
Jean Newton .....	1893
Eunice Sherwood (transferred to Dept. Kansas) .....	1894
‡Catherine Parrott .....	1895
§Jessie Mabon .....	1896
Jessie Newton .....	1897
Jessie Mabon .....	1898
‡Catherine Parrott .....	1899
‡Sara Nutting .....	1900
Sarah A. Torrey .....	1901-02
Jessie Newton (transferred) .....	1903
Estella Odekirk .....	1904
Effie King .....	1905
§Florence Parrott .....	1906

Lottie Vaughn .....	1907
§Luella Wagner .....	1908
Effie King .....	1909-10
Anna Beman .....	1911
Maud Irvine .....	1912-13
Maude Irvine .....	Delegate
Lbbie Sprague .....	Alternate

### HARVEY DIX CORPS NO. 69, McGREGOR.

Organized April 28, 1886.

Julia Douglas .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Margaret A. Knight .....	1886-87
Minerva M. Sloane .....	1888
‡Blanche J. Quigley .....	1889-90
‡Maggie Foster .....	1891-92-93
Minerva M. Sloane .....	1894-95-96
Mary Studebaker (transferred to No. 335) .....	1896-97
§Lottie Edwards .....	1898-99
Sarah Ziegler .....	1900-01
Phebe J. Jones (transferred to No. 194) .....	1902
Carrie Shumaker .....	1903
Minerva Sloane .....	1904-05
§Elizabeth Dewey .....	1906
§Jennie Allen .....	1907-08
Minerva Guthell .....	1909-10
Sarah Ziegler .....	1911
Esther Bowen .....	1912
Minnie Hagensick .....	1913
Esther Bowen .....	Delegate
Minnie Guthell .....	Alternate

### WARREN CORPS NO. 71, CLARINDA.

Organized May 26, 1886.

*Sylvia A. Barger .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

R. Anna Smith (transferred to No. 27) .....	1886-87
A. M. Dunlap .....	1888-89
Anna W. Mason (transferred to Dept. Nebraska) .....	1890
§Nellie Vance .....	1891-92
‡Myra Ferris .....	1893
§Amy Hopper .....	1894
M. J. Sutherland (transferred to Dept. Washington) .....	1895
Lilly Morris .....	1896
R. Anna Smith .....	1897-98
§Sarah J. Tidball .....	1899
‡S. S. Arthur .....	1900
‡Lorella E. Blair .....	1901

Mary L. Brown	1902-03-04
‡Lorella E. Blair	1905
Frances Morlidge	1906
‡Mina Shoemaker	1907
Lorella F. Blair	1908
Mary A. Edwards	1909-10
Sylvia H. Barger	1911
Maggie E. Showalter	(transferred from No. 174)
S. E. Chiles	1912
Sylvia A. Barger	1913
Mrs. George Standige	Delegate
Fanny Kline	Alternate

### C. H. HUNTLEY CORPS NO. 72, MASON CITY.

Organized May 12, 1886.

Stella Homrig	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Emma R. Herrick	1886-87-88-89
Lurena Keerl (transferred)	1890-91-92
‡Florence A. Brock	1893
‡Fannie Becker	1894-95
Mary E. Poisal	1896
Ellen C. Becker	1897
Lurena Keerl	1898-99
Sadie R. Nelson	1900-01
‡Nevada R. Thompson	1902
Elizabeth Weir	1903
Lurena Keerl	1904
Addie Van Wie	1905-06-07-08
*Mary E. Nutting	1909
Celia Holman	1910
Stella Homrig	1911-12-13
‡Eliza Young	(transferred from No. 74)
Mary A. Demo	(transferred from No. 305)
Lucy Beers	(transferred from No. 115)
Ada V. Elsham	Delegate
Grace Fisk	Alternate

### DENISON CORPS NO. 73, CENTER POINT.

Organized January 15, 1886.

Cora A. Mahuran	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Mary Tiffany (transferred)	1886-87
Sophia Wayne	1888-89
Mary Tiffany	1890
Martha North	1891
Emma L. Wilson	1892-93



‡Lizzie McLaughlin .....	1894
‡Alma Newland .....	1895
O. B. Chesley .....	1896
Francis L. Bliss (transferred) .....	1897-98
†Lena T. Ring (transferred to No. 11) .....	1899-1900-01
Florence N. Mutchler .....	1902
Lena T. Ring .....	1903
*Emma Wilson .....	1904
Martha North .....	1905
Melinda J. Newland .....	1906-07-08
Elizabeth Wayne .....	1909
Florence Mutchler .....	1910
Ella Heverly .....	1911-12
Minnie E. Campbell .....	1913
Sallie Heverly .....	Delegate
Edyth Pyle .....	Alternate

### **TOM HOWARD CORPS NO. 74, CLEAR LAKE**

**Organized May 21, 1886**

Jean D. Tompkins.....President

#### **Past Presidents.**

Jennie Carlton (transferred to Washington) .....	1886-87-88
Margaret Colby (transferred to Wyoming) .....	1888-89
Jennie Charlton .....	1890
Carrie Richardson .....	1891
Hannah Bowers .....	1892
‡Eliza Young .....	1893
Phoebe L. Rogers .....	1894-95-96
Jennie Charlton .....	1897
Jane Tuttle (transferred) .....	1898
*Jessie O. Lambertson .....	1899-1900
‡Carrie M. Berkley .....	1901
*Lydia Taylor .....	1902
Carrie Richardson .....	1903
Hannah J. Barlow .....	1904
Phoebe L. Rogers .....	1905
Frances Richardson .....	1906
Jean Tompkins .....	1907-08
Mary Koch .....	1909
*Lucy Stanfield .....	1910
*Jean Tompkins .....	1911
Anna Cooper .....	(transferred from No. 255)
Nelia M. Collins .....	1912-13
Ella Hartsough .....	Delegate
*Isaphenia Carpenter .....	Alternate

### **WM. BAKER CORPS NO. 75, CORRECTIONVILLE.**

**Organized July 17, 1886.**

Mary Sargent .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Jerane E. Weeks	1886-87
Mary E. Sargent (transferred to No. 12)	1888
†Allie M. Speaker	1889
Frances Bunn	1890
§Ruth S. Robbins	1891
Jerane E. Weeks	1892
Hattie E. Huffman	1893
§Mary Fitch	1894
Delia Newell	1895
Jerane E. Weeks	1896
§Nellie Weeks Bailey	1897
§Ruth Robbins	1898-99
Jane Heath	1900
†Lenora Rouse	1901-02
Marie Isabel (transferred to Dept. Oregon)	1903
Ellen Richardson	1904
Marie Isabel (transferred)	1905
§Ellen Gunning	1906
Betsy Rowse	1907-08
Harriet E. Huffman	1909
Mary Legg	1910-11
Sarah Madison	1912
Mary A. Sargent	1913
Janette G. Ross	Delegate
Mary E. Peck	Alternate

**JAMES B. SAMPLE CORPS NO. 76, FORT MADISON . . . .****Organized June 29, 1886.**

\*Lydia Dickson . . . . . President

**Past Presidents.**

Mina Hoffmeister	1886
Hattie M. Rollett	1887-88
§Mattie O'Kell	1889-90
§Ida E. Craig	1891-92
†Sallie Wallace	1893
Lena L. D. Gostin	1894
§Hannah Martin	1895
Elizabeth Bullock (transferred)	1896
†Emeline M. Pound	1897
§Mattie O'Kell	1898
Sarah A. Snyder	1899-1900
Louise Thomas	1901
§Carrie Bain	1902
*Anna Gallatin	1903
Lizzie Hoffman	1904
Barbara Miller	1905
Helen Cushman	1906
§Marth Barnett	1907
§Kate Carbaun	1908-09
Helen Cushman	1910-11

Sarah A. Snyder .....	1912-13
Lydia Dickson .....	Delegate
Anna Gallatin .....	Alternate

### **SAMUEL J. KIRKWOOD CORPS NO. 78, IOWA CITY.**

**Organized August 30, 1886.**

Nan Graham .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

Alice Lytle .....	1886-87
*Ruth B. Bowen .....	1888
Kate D. Allen .....	1889
‡Amanda Beermaker .....	1890-91
Nannie B. Sorter .....	1892-93-94
Adelaide Goodrell .....	1895-96-97
‡Samantha Leek .....	1898
‡Mary A. DeSelle .....	1899-1900-01-02
Mattie Cree .....	1903-04
‡Sarah Hatch .....	1905-06
Barbara O'Brien .....	1907
Della E. Marble .....	1908-09
*Anna Larkin .....	1910-11
Carrie O. Brooke .....	1912
Nan Graham .....	1913
*Ruth B. Bowen .....	Delegate
*Clara Weber .....	Delegate
Lilla Prince .....	Alternate
Lydia Schilling .....	Alternate

### **MOWER CORPS NO. 80, LEMARS.**

**Organized October 12, 1886.**

Louisa Edmonds .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

Dell E. Garner (transferred to California) .....	1886-87
‡Melissa Stebbins .....	1888
Dell E. Garner .....	1889
Mary A. Viall (transferred to Dept. Ill.) .....	1890
‡Mary O. Hinds .....	1891
Jennie M. Martin .....	1892
Mary A. Jones .....	1893-94
‡Mira Pauley .....	1895
Mary A. Carter .....	1896
Lettie Hillary .....	1897
Alice J. McDuffy .....	1898-99
‡Fanny A. Honnold .....	1900
Mary Molamby .....	1901
Dell E. Garner .....	1902
Marie Crouch (transferred to Dept. California) .....	1903
Rachel Ruble .....	1904-05

Bridget Boyle .....	1906
Marie Crouch (transferred to California).....	1907-08
Lena Crouch .....	1909-10
Catherine Harrington .....	1911
Mary A. Jones .....	1912
Louise Edmonds .....	1913
Catherine Lemon .....	Delegate
Alice J. McDuffee .....	Alternate

### **J. W. McKENZIE CORPS NO. 81, HAMPTON.**

**Organized October 31, 1886.**

Clara Phelps .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

§Effie R. Mallory .....	1886-87
Mary McCardell (transferred to No. 127).....	1888
§Louie McKenzie .....	1889-90
Mary L. Raymond .....	1891
Mattie French .....	1892
‡Emma Whitcomb .....	1893
Sarah Luke .....	1894-95
Mary L. Raymond .....	1896
Helen M. Sweet .....	1897-98
Mattie French .....	1899
Alice F. Meyers .....	1900-01
‡Hannah Bender .....	1902
Clara Phelps .....	1903
Eliza Fowler .....	1904
Alice F. Meyers .....	1905
Clara Watt .....	1906
Fannie F. Wade .....	1907
Alice F. Meyers .....	1908
Marian S. Johnston .....	1909
Ella Roberts .....	1910-11
Fannie Wade .....	1912-13
Fannie Hodges .....	(transferred)
Clara Phelps .....	Delegate
Emma Stonebraker .....	Alternate

### **SEDGWICK CORPS NO. 82, BEDFORD,**

**Organized October 25, 1886.**

Clara S. Wilkins .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

‡Eliza J. Houck .....	1886-87-88-89
Leah C. Kearsey .....	1890
Eliza J. Houck .....	1891-92
Matilda Smith .....	1893-94
Ursula Connett .....	1895
‡Maggie Peterman .....	1896

Frank Dallison .....	1897
§Mary Flick .....	1898-99
Jennie V. Kemper .....	1900
‡Addie B. Guthrie .....	1901-02
‡Maggie Derrickson .....	1903-04
Clara Wilkins .....	1905-06
Mary A. Flick .....	1907-08
Mary Walker (transferred) .....	1909-10-11
Matilda Smith .....	1912-13
Retta Dallison .....	Delegate
Irene Ulrich .....	Alternate

### ROBBINS CORPS NO. 83, WAVERLY.

Organized November 9, 1886.

\*Adah I. Seeley.....President

#### Past Presidents.

†Kate Hanchett .....	1886-87-88-89
‡Ann C. Sheehan .....	1890
§Clara Barber .....	1891
Helena Temple .....	1892-93
Kate Hanchett .....	1894
Louise Hunt .....	1895
Mary L. Jarvis .....	1896
Sarah Woodruff .....	1897
Louise Moody .....	1898
Mary Woodring .....	1899
§Marion E. Kemp .....	1900
Mary Woodring .....	1901-02
†Ray M. Hanchett .....	1903-04
Effie Leonard .....	1905-06
Alice McMeekin .....	1907
Jennie Hodges .....	1908
Mary Stufflebeam (transferred to No. 15).....	1909
Ethel J. Cave .....	1910
Clara Brock .....	1911
Emma Osier .....	(transferred from No. 7)
Vena Remington .....	1912
Minnie Broadie .....	1913
*Louise Seifert .....	Delegate
*May Leitha .....	Delegate
Maude Broadie .....	Alternate
May Moore .....	Alternate

### GEN. HANCOCK CORPS NO. 87, SIOUX CITY.

Organized November 20, 1886.

Minnie Chase ..... President |

#### Past Presidents.

§L. T. Teachout .....	1886-87-88
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§Dora Gerard .....	1889
‡Julia A. Young .....	1890-91-92
§Vadie M. Brown .....	1893
Marcia M. Lothrop .....	1894
Ella Andrews .....	1895
§Calista C. Gordon .....	1896
‡Carrie Argo .....	1897
‡Julia A. Young .....	1898
Ethel Collier .....	1899
‡Mary B. Huffman .....	1900-01-02
Myrtle Morgenstein .....	1903
Florence Rapalee .....	1904
‡Alice Pettit .....	1905
Hannah Britton .....	1906-07
*Lizzie Sturges .....	1908
Mary A. Adams .....	1909
Margaret Gleen .....	1910
§Mattie Mitchell .....	1911
Anna Maynard .....	1912
Lettie Hillery .....	(transferred from No. 80)
Eugene Gillespie .....	(transferred from No. 181)
Etta McQueen .....	(transferred from No. 287)
Anna M. Kloeh .....	(transferred from No. 7)
Margaret Long .....	(transferred from No. 110)
Calista Gordon .....	(transferred from Nebraska)
Ella Pecant .....	1913
Ella Marshall .....	Delegate
*Ella Marshall .....	Alternate

### ED. HAMLIN CORPS NO. 88, WELLMAN.

Organized November 27, 1886.

Jennie Oldaker ..... President

#### Past Presidents.

Lavina Klockentager .....	1886-87-88
Mary Gemmill .....	1889-90
Florilla Longwell .....	1891-92
‡Emily Downing .....	1893-94
Lavina Klockentager .....	1895
Etta Waite Hunter .....	1896-97
Florilla Longwell .....	1898-99
Angie Flemming .....	1900-01
Florence Gardner .....	1902-03
Florilla Longwell .....	1904-05
Mary Turnipseed .....	1906
Kate Lewis .....	1907-08-09
Bertha M. Romine .....	1910
Etta Waite Hunter .....	1911-12
Jennie Oldaker .....	1913
*Jennie C. Oldaker .....	Delegate
Effie Hull .....	Alternate

**HENRY HOWARD CORPS NO. 89, STRAWBERRY POINT.****Organized No. 17, 1886.**

Martha Schug ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

§Gertrude Moreland ..... 1886-87  
 ‡Amanda D. S. Cooley ..... 1888-89-90-91-92-93  
 Alma Nace ..... 1894-95  
 ‡Amanda D. S. Cooley ..... 1896-97-98-99-1900-01-02-03  
 Emma Barnes ..... 1904  
 ‡Amanda D. S. Cooley ..... 1905-06  
 Emma Barnes ..... 1907  
 Alma Nace ..... 1908-09-10  
 Emma Barnes ..... 1911  
 Freda M. Smith ..... 1912-13  
 Mary Opperman ..... Delegate  
 Mary Porter ..... Alternate

**SCHUYLER CORPS NO. 90, BRANDON****Organized November 5, 1886.**

Ellazeen Hines ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

Louisa J. Bain ..... 1886-87-88-89  
 Kate Steckman (transferred to Dept. Minnesota) ..... 1890  
 Libbie Frink (transferred to No. 144) ..... 1891  
 ‡Mary E. Williams ..... 1892  
 Jennie S. Albert ..... 1893-94-95  
 Minnie Smith (transferred to No. 144) ..... 1896-97  
 Louisa J. Bain ..... 1898-99-1900  
 Kate Steckman ..... 1901-02  
 Louisa J. Bain ..... 1903-04-05-06  
 Ellazeen Hines ..... 1907-08  
 Maria Mead ..... 1909-10  
 Jennie F. Albert ..... 1911-12  
 Ellazeen Hines ..... 1913  
 Rosa Short ..... Delegate  
 Louisa Bain ..... Alternate

**A. M. TAYLOR CORPS NO. 95, WAPELLO.****Organized January 19, 1887.**

Eva Balbridge ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

E. A. Miller ..... 1887  
 C. L. Riley ..... 1888  
 Anna Bell ..... 1889  
 E. A. Small ..... 1890

Emily A. Miller .....	1891-92
Elizabeth Garrett .....	1893-94-95
Sarah Hayden .....	1896-97-98
§Laura Tompkins .....	1899
Mary C. Wright .....	1900
‡Ida Guthrie .....	1901
§O. Philea Wallingford .....	1902-03
Sarah Hayden .....	1904
Mary Wright .....	1905
Marietta Foor .....	1906-07-08
Mary E. Wright .....	1909-10
Marietta Foor .....	1911-12
Eva Balbridge .....	1913
Dora Chandler .....	Delegate
Loua Shaw .....	Alternate

### ELLSWORTH CORPS NO. 98, AMES. ....

Organized February 4, 1887.

*Anna Steigerwalt .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Elizabeth Geddes .....	1887
‡Kate R. Condit .....	1888-89-90
‡Tennetta Hamilton .....	1891
‡Sarah H. Wilson .....	1892-93
‡Sarah E. Bigelow .....	1894-95
‡Louisa M. Bosworth .....	1896
Nancy M. Taylor .....	1897-98-99-1900
Augusta Underwood .....	1901
Nancy M. Taylor .....	1902-03
§Evangeline Little .....	1904-05
§Abbie Gibson .....	1906
M. Electa Gilbert .....	1907-08
Nancy M. Taylor .....	1909-10-11
Anna Steigerwalt .....	1912-13
*Sadie Yeomans .....	Delegate
Lettie McFarlane .....	Alternate

### WINFIELD SCOTT CORPS NO. 99, WEBSTER CITY.

Organized February 16, 1887.

Lillian Hall .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Frances Wickware .....	1887
Mary Dakin .....	1888
§Lizzie Martin .....	1889
§Esther Lake .....	1890
Frances E. Wickware .....	1891
‡Margaret Young .....	1892
Mary J. Young .....	1893



§Mary Wilson .....	1894-95
Elmina Cook .....	1896-97
Jane Kronsкуп .....	1898
Mary C. White .....	1899
Mary J. Young .....	1900-01-02-03
§Maggie Haswell .....	1904-05-06
Minerva Neel .....	1907-08
Elizabeth A. Ennie .....	1909
Mattie Martin .....	1910-11-12
Lillian C. Hall .....	1913
*Amy Robinson .....	Delegate
Lucinda Kimmel .....	Alternate

### **TORRENCE CORPS NO. 100, KEOKUK.**

**Organized March 9, 1887.**

*Ella Thomas .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

‡Henrietta Parrott .....	1887
*Rachel Mason French .....	1888-89
‡Phoebe Mackey .....	1890
‡Mary Muzzy .....	1891
Louisa Rollins .....	1892-93-94
Ruth M. Evans .....	1895-96
Mary Johnston .....	1897-98
Mary Bishop .....	1899-1900
‡Anna Wycoff .....	1901-02
Hettie Collier (transferred to Dept. Illinois) .....	1903-04
Cela K. Crow .....	1905-06-07
Helen B. Cook .....	1908-09
Anna Roche .....	1910
Flora Teeters .....	1911-12
Ella Thomas .....	1913
Susan Phillips .....	Delegate
Mrs. C. W. Hartley .....	Alternate

### **J. M. HOLBROOK CORPS NO. 101, DELHI.**

**Organized March 4, 1887.**

Myrtle Barnes .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

§Emma Smith .....	1887
‡Adelaide Fuller .....	1888
Lida C. Corbin .....	1889-90
Hattie White .....	1891-92-93-94
H. C. Doolittle .....	1895-96-97
Ella Blanchard .....	1898-99
Jessie Doolittle .....	1900-01
Carrie W. Swinburn .....	1902-03-04-05
Lida E. Corbin .....	1906-07

Jennie Stimson	1908-09
Jessie Doolittle	1910-11
Emma Jakeln	1912
Myrtle Barnes	1913
Myrtle Barnes	Delegate
Jessie Doolittle	Alternate

### OSCEOLA CORPS NO. 102, OSCEOLA.

Organized March 7, 1887.

Emma Harper	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Anna W. Karr	1887
H. E. Bumgardner	1888-89
‡Mary M. Morrow	1890
‡Hattie E. Bumgardner	1891
Anna W. Karr	1892
Ella P. Lash (transferred Dept. California)	1893
‡Mamie Ballou	1894-95
Hattie E. Bumgardner	1896
R. F. Candee (transferred to Dept. Illinois)	1897-98-99
Estelle R. Mintonye	1900
‡L. A. Armstrong	1901
Hattie E. Bumgardner	1902
Emma L. Harper	1903-04
Emma Parish	1905
Ella P. Lash	1906
Mary M. Thomas	1907-08-09
Susan A. Delk	1910
Lizzie Rarick	1911
Jennie Lockwood	1912
Emma Harper	1913
*Eva Rice	Delegate
Louisa Alexander	Alternate

### G. C. FRANCIS CORPS NO. 103, WALKER.

Organized March 12, 1887

Liona Furbush	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Sarah A. Johnson	1887-88-89
‡Julia T. Crego	1890
Sarah A. Johnson	1891-92-93
‡Mary Butterfield	1894
‡Catherine Wilson	1895
Celia A. Rusesll (transferred)	1896-97
Sarah A. Johnson	1898-99
Elizabeth Lamb	1900
Addie Buckley	1901
‡Mary Butterfield	1902
Julia Fairchild	1903
*Kate Sinkey	1904-05

Catherine Wilson .....	1906
‡Mary Butterfield .....	1907-08
Kate Sinkey .....	1909
Lottie Bross .....	1910
Fannie Robinson .....	1911-12
Liona M. Furbush .....	1913
*Mary L. Hudson .....	Delegate
Kate Linkey .....	Alternate

### LEWELLYN CORPS NO. 104, CORNING.

Organized April 2, 1887.

Olive Cumings .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

S. Smith .....	1887-88
Virginia Belding .....	1889
Isabel McLaughlin .....	1890
Alice C. Craft .....	1891
Amy Salts .....	1892
Isabel Frederick .....	1893
Marilla Craft .....	1894
May T. Frederick .....	1895-96
Isabel Frederick .....	1897
Viola Glover .....	1898
Maggie Lawrence .....	1899
Mary B. Wilson .....	1900-01
Virginia Johnson .....	1902
Lavina Kurtz .....	1903-04
Eunice Fuller .....	1905
Mattie E. Homan .....	1906
Lavina Kurtz .....	1907
May Morgan .....	1908-09
May T. Frederick .....	1910-11-12
Sarah L. Gray .....	1913
Sallie Walthal .....	Delegate
Sarah L. Gray .....	Alternate

### E. O. C. ORD CORPS NO. 105, SUTHERLAND.

Organized April 6, 1887.

*Flora Nott .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Agnes B. Gates .....	1887-88-89
Roma Woods .....	1890
§Ada R. Achorn .....	1891
Martha Alexandria (transferred) .....	1892
‡Agnes B. Gates .....	1893-94
Maggie Hicks .....	1895-96-97-98
Amy A. Fairley .....	1899-1900
Roma W. Woods .....	1901-02-03

Flora Nott .....	1904-05-06
Nellie Fairley .....	1907
Mary E. Martin .....	1908
Augusta Bark .....	1909-10
Georgia Haines .....	1911-12
Flora Nott .....	1913
Phebe Gelse .....	Delegate
Emma Mueller .....	Alternate

### MARVIN MILLS CORPS NO. 106, CENTRAL CITY.

**Organized March 8, 1887.**

Lena A. Stone .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Adelia F. Giffin .....	1887-88
‡Phebe Mason .....	1889-90-91
§Mary I. Trueblood .....	1892
§Mary A. Copping .....	1893
Laura A. Butters .....	1894-95
Elizabeth A. Blodgett .....	1896-97
Laura A. Butters .....	1898-99
§Louisa J. Walker .....	1900
Laura A. Butters .....	1901-02-03-04-05
Minnie W. Isham .....	1906-07
Florence Burlingham .....	1908
Lottie Blodgett .....	1909-10
Florence Burlingham .....	1911-12
Lena A. Stone .....	1913
Bertha Reed .....	Delegate
Millie Hoffman .....	Alternate

### ALBERT ROWLEY CORPS NO. 108, HUMBOLDT.

**Organized April 8, 1887.**

Lizzie Wells .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Angie Foster .....	1887-88-89
§Kate M. Sample .....	1890
Eliza French .....	1891-92
Sarah Goodell .....	(transferred Illinois)
Hannah B. Cohoon .....	1893
Mida F. Doan .....	1894-95
Ciara F. Harkness .....	1896
Eliza J. Foster .....	1897-98-99-1900
Lizzie Wells .....	1901-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10
Julia Thomas .....	1911
Lizzie Wells .....	1912-13
*Sarah Goodell .....	Delegate
Lottie Barrett .....	Alternate

## REESE LLOYD CORPS NO. 109, WILLIAMSBURG.

Organized May 7, 1887.

Emma H. Sheetz .....President

## Past Presidents.

‡Mary Schooley .....	1887-88
§Jennie Ray .....	1889-90
‡Ellen Carmichael .....	1891
‡Rose Lyon .....	1892
Jessie Long .....	1893-94-95
Emma Richmond .....	1896
Kitt Harris .....	1897
Dell Hughes .....	1898-99-1900
Josie Morse (transferred) .....	1901-02
§S. Jennie Ray .....	1903-04
Anna J. Hughes .....	1905
Emma H. Sheetz .....	1906
Anna Lortz .....	1907-08
Sarah Edwards .....	1909
Anna J. Hughes .....	1910
Veronica Hastings .....	1911
Catherine Pike .....	(transferred from No. 11)
Veronica Hastings .....	1912
Hattie Scholl .....	1913
Hattie Scholl .....	Delegate
Isabella Sherman .....	Alternate

## COL. GOODRICH CORPS NO. 110, ODEBOLT.

Organized May 18, 1887.

Caroline C. Kluckhohn.....President

## Past Presidents.

Rachel L. Graham .....	1887
§H. J. Mathews .....	1888
Maggie Long (transferred to No. 87) .....	1889
Jennie Smith .....	1890-91
§Lydia Fox .....	1892
§Emma Orcutt .....	1893
Maggie Long .....	1894
Emma Yonnie .....	1895-96
Maggie Long .....	1897-98
Lelia S. Wolf .....	1899-1900
Arvilla Mitts .....	1901
Jennie Smith .....	1902-03
Cornelia Fisher .....	1904
§Lydia Fox .....	1905-06-07
Rachel L. Graham (transferred) .....	1908-09-10
Caroline Kluckhohn .....	1911-12-13
Arvilla E. Mitts .....	Delegate
Cornelia Fisher .....	Alternate

**WM. P. LAYTON CORPS NO. 111, OAKLAND.****Organized April 15, 1887.**

Matilda Humbert .....President

**Past Presidents.**

‡Sarah Lyman .....	1887-88-89
§Lizzie Burrow .....	1890-91
Loretta McMasters .....	1892
‡Mary Coleman .....	1893
§C. M. Crofts.....	1894
Loretta McMasters .....	1895-96
§Ada White .....	1897
Cherokee Crofts .....	1898
Maggie Butler .....	1899
Matilda M. Humbert .....	1900
C. M. Crofts .....	1901-02
Mary Coleman .....	1903
Loretta McMasters .....	1904
§Mae Williams .....	1905-06
Matilda Humbert .....	1907
‡Jennie Woodrow .....	1908-09-10
Alice Applegate .....	1911
Sue Wentz .....	1912
Amelia Vance .....	1913
.....	Delegate
.....	Alternate

**McDOWELL CORPS NO. 112, EARLY.**

Jennie Parrott .....President

**Past Presidents.**

‡Mary A. Fuller .....	1887-88-89-90
§Lizzie Graham .....	1891
Mary A. Fuller .....	1892
Ellen L. Allen .....	1893
Nellie Fuller (transferred).....	1894
§Ollie Farquhar .....	1895-96
Ida Fuller .....	1897
Rachel McQuirk .....	1898
Lizzie R. Graham .....	1899-1900
Rachel McQuirk .....	1901
§Creta L. Lashier.....	1902-03
Rachel McQuirk .....	1904
Jennie Perrott .....	1905-06
Emma Truax .....	1907
Jennie Perrott .....	1908-09-10
Ella Bedell .....	1911-12-13

**ALLEE CORPS NO. 113, MANSON****Organized December 12, 1887.**

Anna Kibler .....President

**Past Presidents.**

§Hannah W. Dunn .....	1887
R. A. Wilson .....	1888
Jessie Ebersole (transferred to No. 20).....	1889
Rebecca Wilson .....	1890-91
Minnie Davidson .....	1892
Sarah Feek (transferred) .....	1893
Margaret Williams .....	1894-95
‡Nettie Safford .....	1896
Myrtle E. Nicholson (transferred to No. 20).....	1897
Flora P. Wilson .....	1898
Hettie Burrell .....	1899-1900-01
Myrtle Nicholson .....	1902
Hettie Burrell .....	1903-04-05-06-07
Flora P. Wilson .....	1908
Ida Dawson .....	1909
Aletha Lent .....	1910
Blanche Lent .....	1911-12
Ida Dawson .....	1913

**C. H. PIXLEY CORPS NO. 116, ROCKFORD.****Re-organized March 12, 1901.**

Eliza Albee .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

‡Bertha Bowlls .....	1887-88
‡Belle M. Lyon .....	1889-90-91-92-93
§Susie N. Ayres .....	1894
Etta Reed .....	1895
§Laura Trigg .....	1896
‡Mattie Felwock .....	1897
Disbanded .....	1898
Margaret Edmunds .....	1901-02
§Ella Brown .....	1903
Miranda Johnson .....	1904-05
§Marcie Garber .....	1906
Mary McNalley .....	1907-08
Winnie Welton .....	1909
Mary Fellwock .....	1910-11
Eliza Albee .....	1912
Miranda Johnston .....	1913
Jennie Carrott .....	Delegate
Emma Meyers .....	Alternate

**PITZER CORPS NO. 117, WINTERSET.****Organized July 19, 1887.**

Irene E. Connoran .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

‡Nannie C. Wallace .....	1887
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Irene Connoran .....	1888
Jennie Whedon .....	1889-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97
‡Caroline Murray .....	1898
‡Jennie Whedon .....	1899-1900-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12
Lillian Beach .....	(transferred from No. 322)
*Irene Connoran .....	1913
*Charlena Seidler .....	Delegate
Winifred Whedon .....	Alternate

### CHARLES CITY CORPS NO. 121, CHARLES CITY.

Organized September 8, 1887.

Lucy Janes .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Kate E. Baldwin .....	1887
Susie M. Bradly .....	1888-89
Libbie Merriam .....	1890
Fannie Barney .....	1891-92
Susie Webster .....	1893
Stella Miles .....	1894-95
Florence L. Wilson .....	1896-97
‡Agnes Dennis .....	1898
Susie Webster .....	1899-1900-01
Florence Wilson .....	1902
Susan Bradly .....	1903-04
‡Helena Van Auker .....	1905
Harriet Huckins .....	1906-07
Susie Webster .....	1908-09
Lucy Janes .....	1910-11-12
Harriet Huckins .....	1913
*Susan N. Bradly .....	Delegate
Cora L. Cunningham .....	Alternate

### SHELBY NORMAN CORPS NO. 122, MUSCATINE.

Organized September 10, 1887.

Mary Millett .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Jane Madden .....	1887-88
Emma Dean .....	1889-90-91-92
‡Lily H. Baird .....	1893
Barbara Detwiler (transferred) .....	1894-95-96-97-98
Clara E. Batterson (transferred to Dept. California) .....	1899-1900
*Sarah A. Fox .....	1901-02-03
*Sue Stanwood .....	1904-05
Laura Wickey .....	1906
*Sarah A. Fox .....	1907-08-09-10-11
Addie Barnard .....	1912-13
*Kate Long .....	Delegate
*Alice Steninger .....	Delegate



*Annie J. Beaham	Delegate
Carrie Lenz	Alternate
Lilly Kinsley	Alternate
Gussie Mull	Alternate

### J. J. STILLMAN CORPS NO. 123, WAUKON.

Organized October 15, 1887.

Althea A. Robbins	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡E. E. Stevens	1887-88
‡Anna Granger	1889-90
§Emily Pitt	1891
Margaret David	1892
‡Henrietta M. Hale	1893
Phoebe E. Walker	1894-95
Henrietta M. Hale	1896-97
Eliza Colgrove	1898
Henrietta M. Hale	1899
Althea A. Robbins	1900-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13
*Agnes Bellows	Delegate
Mary Still	Alternate

### FRED STEELE CORPS NO. 124, ANAMOSA.

Organized September 18, 1887.

Ella T. Bagley	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Mary E. Andrews	1887
§Albertine Cudworth	1888-89-90-91-92-93
‡Augusta Ericksen	1894
§Clara Hollenbeck	1895-96-97
Jennie Wood	1898
Ada McIntyre (transferred to Dept. Illinois)	1899-1900
Lucy Harvey	1901
§Belle Boswell	1902
§Emma Yount	1903-04
Ada C. McIntyre	1905
Lucy C. Harvey	1906
Alice V. Outland	1907
Gertrude Cunningham	1908
Alice V. Outland	1909
Ella T. Bagley	1910-11-12-13
Mae Ruhl	Delegate
*Mary C. Derr	Alternate

### ROBERT MITCHELL CORPS NO. 126, MARION.

Organized October 18, 1887.

*Fannie Domer	President
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**Past Presidents.**

‡Sarah E. McKean .....	1887-88-89
‡Lydia A. Kinley .....	1890
‡Helen Stearns .....	1891
‡Sarah E. McKean .....	1892
‡Lydia A. Kinley .....	1893-94
Helen Howard .....	1895
‡Lydia A. Kinley .....	1896
Adelaide Johnson .....	1897-98-99-1900
‡Rebecca Alexander .....	1901
Mary Horn .....	1902
‡Jacintha Cassady .....	1903-04
Anna Clogston .....	1905
Zadie Snyder .....	1906-07
*L. Gertrude Anderson .....	1908
Flora Morehead .....	1909-10
Mary Newman .....	1911
Effie J. Biggs .....	(transferred from No. 288)
Angeline Tripp .....	(transferred from No. 288)
Emma C. Smith (transferred to No. 11) .....	1912
Bertha Barnes .....	1913
Fannie Domer .....	Delegate
‡Lydia W. Nott .....	Delegate
*L. Gertrude Anderson .....	Alternate
May Reid .....	Alternate

**JANESVILLE CORPS NO. 127, JANESVILLE.****Organized October 1, 1887.**

Emory Sharp .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Alton Clark (transferred to Nebraska) .....	1887
‡Sarah A. High .....	1888
Anna E. Witherell (transferred) .....	1889-90
Mary C. Davis (transferred) .....	1891-92
‡Caroline Crail .....	1893
Eileen Shaw .....	1894-95
Rose Fitkin .....	1896
‡Anna Fish .....	1897-98
‡Mary Barrett .....	1899
Helen M. Stiles (transferred to No. 26) .....	1900
Anna Wetherell .....	1901-02
‡Naomi Ford .....	1903
Mary McCardell .....	1904
Anna Wetherell Taylor (transferred) .....	1905-06
Rachel McMurray .....	1907-08-09
Mae Prosser .....	1910
Florence Ballantyne .....	1911
Hattie Decker .....	1912-13
Hattie Decker .....	Delegate
Lottie Wetherill .....	Alternate

**ROBERT F. LOWE CORPS NO. 128, SIGOURNEY.****Organized November 9, 1887.**

\*Alta Brown ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

§Kate Passig ..... 1887-88-89-90  
 ‡Marie Gillette ..... 1891  
 ‡Alvina D. Parker ..... 1892  
 §Amanda Ramsey ..... 1893-94-95  
 Flora S. Brown ..... 1896  
 Rose J. Moore ..... 1897  
 §Mary Stranahan ..... 1898  
 Alice B. Page ..... 1899-1900  
 Elizabeth Brown ..... 1901-02  
 Flora Brown ..... 1903  
 ‡Maria Nease ..... 1904  
 §Lydia Seydel ..... 1905  
 Hattie E. McElroy (transferred to No. 308) ..... 1906  
 Ella M. Stone ..... 1907  
 Cora Berry (transferred to No. 308) ..... 1908  
 Oniska P. Pfaff ..... 1909-10  
 Flora Brown ..... 1911-12  
 Alta Brown ..... 1913  
 Alta V. Brown ..... Delegate  
 \*Rosa McKay ..... Delegate  
 Laura Richardson ..... Alternate

**REYNOLDS CORPS NO. 129, MAYNARD.****Organized November 2, 1887.**

Olivia Talcott ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

‡Ellen Snediger ..... 1887-88  
 Emma Deckard ..... 1889-90  
 Louisa Goldsberry ..... 1891  
 Harriet Malven ..... 1892  
 Etta C. Bing ..... 1893  
 Lucia Lewis ..... 1894  
 Zulema Benson ..... 1895  
 Martha Adams ..... 1896  
 Olivia Talcott ..... 1897  
 Adelia T. Godfrey ..... 1898  
 Olivia Talcott ..... 1899-1900-01  
 Louisa Goldsberry ..... 1902  
 Olivia Talcott ..... 1903-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13  
 Harriet Malvin ..... Delegate  
 Eliza Barnes ..... Delegate

**JOHN B. HANCOCK CORPS NO. 130, BELLE PLAINE.****Organized November 1, 1887.**

Elizabeth D. Beal ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

*S. Alice Wilcoxson .....	1887-88
Frances Newcomb .....	1889
‡Mary E. Hartwell .....	1890-91
Anna M. Parrish .....	1892
‡Mary E. Hartwell .....	1893-94
‡Frances Newton .....	1895-96
Marietta McCurdy .....	1897
Mary Twogood (transferred to Dept. Minnesota) .....	1898
§Anna Anderson .....	1899
Elizabeth Wentz .....	1900-01
Anna M. Parrish .....	1902
*Mary A. Brand .....	1903
Elizabeth Wentz .....	1904
Elizabeth Beal .....	1905-06-07
*Christine Crawford .....	1908
Elizabeth Beal .....	1909-10
Anna R. Ruhl .....	1911-12
S. Alice Wilcoxson .....	1913
Stella Bardwell .....	Delegate
S. Alice Wilcoxson .....	Alternate

**CLOUTMAN CORPS NO. 134, OTTUMWA.****Organized November 17, 1887.**

Carrie Tout ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

*Loretta Cowles .....	1887
§Mary G. Miller .....	1888-89
§Esther Coen .....	1890
‡Emily A. Knott .....	1891
Mary E. Asbury .....	1892
Mahala D. LaForce .....	1893
Mary C. King .....	1894
Amanda Kirk .....	1895
‡Margaret Peck .....	1896
§Mary Burgess .....	1897
Mary Kroeger (transferred to Dept. Oklahoma) .....	1898
Sarah Seibert .....	1899
*Amy Owen .....	1900
Jennie Schafer .....	1901
‡Adeline C. Stewart .....	1902-03
Emma Davis .....	1904
Mary C. King .....	1905
Tacy Johnson .....	1906
Carrie Tout .....	1907
‡Margaret Fullmer .....	1908
Minnie Langdale .....	1909
*Elizabeth Coyne .....	1910
Martha E. Farmer .....	1911
*Louise Adler .....	1912-13
Elizabeth Coyne .....	Delegate
Martha Farmer .....	Alternate

**LENOX CORPS NO. 136, LENOX.****Organized November 26, 1887.**

Nellie Brown ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

§Maggie J. Cline ..... 1887-88  
 Salina VanHoutan ..... 1889  
 ‡Adelia L. Page ..... 1890-91-92  
 ‡Clementine Furgeson ..... 1893-94-95  
 Emma S. Bennett ..... 1896-97-98-99-1900-01-02  
 Nellie Brown ..... 1903-04  
 Emma S. Bennett ..... 1905  
 Fannie Hodges Winder (transferred to No. 82) ..... 1906-07  
 Emma S. Bennett ..... 1908-09  
 Ida Patton ..... 1910  
 Addie Wright ..... 1911  
 Emma S. Bennett ..... 1912-13  
 Nellie Brown ..... Delegate  
 Emma S. Bennett ..... Alternate

**SHELLEDY CORPS NO. 138, MONROE.****Re-organized March 12, 1892.**

\*Lola Orcutt ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

Anna McKee ..... 1888  
 ‡Sarah R. Dickson ..... 1889-90  
 Sallie A. Hall (transferred to No. 3) ..... 1891  
 Callie Schrader ..... 1892  
 ‡Sarah R. Dickson ..... 1893  
 ‡Ida Ible ..... 1894  
 Etta M. Orcutt ..... 1895  
 ‡Margaret E. Hinson ..... 1896-97  
 Rose M. Schek (transferred to Dept. Oregon) ..... 1898-99  
 Belle Neff ..... 1900  
 Alice Husted ..... 1901-02  
 Mary Lyon (transferred to Dept. Nebraska) ..... 1903  
 Esta M. Quick ..... 1904-05  
 Mary Reed ..... 1906  
 Madge B. Ible ..... 1907-08  
 Anne Elrod ..... 1909  
 Clara Rinehart ..... 1910  
 Alice Fessler ..... 1911  
 \*Susie Carter ..... 1912  
 Martha Palmer ..... 1913  
 \*Lola Orcutt ..... Delegate  
 Esta Quick ..... Alternate

**MYERS CORPS NO. 140, GREENFIELD.****Organized March 3, 1888.**

Hattie Elliott ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

Ella C. Knapp .....	1888-89-90-91
Lucy E. Harvey .....	1892-93
Dotha Myers .....	1894-95
§Jennie Patterson .....	1896
‡Ella M. Goodman .....	1897-98
Hilda E. Brown .....	1899
Ella C. Knapp .....	1900-01
*Mary A. Tuttle .....	1902-03
Sarah Quinn .....	1904-05
*Deborah Cahew Smith .....	1906
Ellen Smith .....	1907
§Jennie Patterson .....	1908
Frances J. Hines .....	1909-10-11
Calista Shirk .....	1912
Hattie Elliott .....	1913
*Hilda E. Brown .....	Delegate
Matilda Scofield .....	Alternate

**T. F. POTTER CORPS NO. 141, CRESTON.****Organized February 13, 1888.**

Nellie C. Busby ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

§Ruby S. Eckerson .....	1888-89
§Eliza Turman .....	1890
Mary E. Clark .....	1891
‡Mary Harsh .....	1892
‡Lou A. Bewcomb .....	1893
§Sarah M. Trumbell .....	1894
Christine C. Snyder (transferred) .....	1895
§Victoria Bradford .....	1896
§Mary Thornton .....	1897
Christine C. Snyder .....	1898-99
Isa Connell .....	1900-01
Clara Hughes .....	1902-03
§Sarah E. Andrews .....	1904
Victoria Bradford .....	1905-06-07-08
‡Lou A. Bewcomb .....	1909
Clara E. Hughes .....	1910
Clara Bamford .....	1911-12
Ida Mawson .....	1913
*Clara Bamford .....	Delegate
.....	Alternate

**MARBLE ROCK CORPS NO. 143, MARBLE ROCK. ....****Organized February 13, 1888.**

B Schermerhorn ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

§E. A. Rosencrans	1888
§Anna N. Sours	1889
§Cynthia Egneu	1890
Ellen J. Ritter	1891
Cynthia Rosencrans	1892
§C. H. McDonnell	1893
Amelia Stewart	1894-95-96-97-98-99
§Jennie Reed	1900
†Christine Asper	1901
Etta Winchell	1902
Minnie V. Horr	1903-04
Elizabeth Sours	1905-06-07
Mary B. Campbell	1908-09
Elizabeth Sours	1910-11-12
Minnie C. Knesel (transferred from No. 303)	1913
Mrs. K. A. Stewart	Delegate
Elizabeth Sours	Alternate

**E. C. LITTLE CORPS NO. 144, INDEPENDENCE.****Organized March 14, 1888.**

Carrie I. Netcott	President
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**Past Presidents.**

§Harriet Holman	1888-89
‡Frances E. Ney	1890
§Alice Lyon	1891
§Catherine Steinmetz	1892
M. D. Blakely	1893-94
§Catherine Steinmetz	1895
§Harriet Holman	1896
Sarah Burris	1897-98-99
M. D. Blakely	1900-01
†Carrie I. Netcott	1902-03-04-05
Clara E. Camp	1906-07-08
*Mary F. O'Brien	1909-10-11-12-13
Mina Smith	(transferred from No. 90)
Libbie Fink	(transferred from No. 90)
*Louisa Parker	Delegate
Edith Sill	Alternate

**J. D. FERGUSON CORPS NO. 147, NEVADA.****Organized March 3, 1888.**

Elizabeth Wall	President
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**Past Presidents.**

‡Isabel T. Kirk	1888
‡Marian Norton	1889-90
Minnie Barnes	1891

‡Mary Scott .....	1892
§Josephine Barnes .....	1893
§Margaret Curtis .....	1894-95
‡Teneta Hamilton .....	1896-97
‡Olive Hulse .....	1898-99
Fannie Adams .....	1900
Lizzie Swafford .....	1901
§Elizabeth Furnas .....	1902
§Melissa Gretsinger .....	1903
*Ina Walker .....	1904
Mittie Dodge .....	1905
§Sarah Prior .....	1906-07
§Josephine Barnes .....	1908
Fannie Adams .....	1909
Lizzie Swafford .....	1910-11
Althea Tarman .....	1912
Fannie Adams .....	1913
Blanche Wall .....	Delegate
Sarah Coxworth .....	Alternate

### WM. WHITED CORPS NO. 148, BELMOND.

Organized March 15, 1888.

May Hardwick ..... President

#### Past Presidents.

Florine Pritchard .....	1888-89
‡Hattie Martin .....	1890
*Margaret F. Hinman .....	1891
Martha Wolcott .....	1892
Sarah A. Logan (transferred) .....	1893-94
S. C. Boughton .....	1895
Hattie L. Martin .....	1896
‡Florence Pritchard .....	1897-98
Margaret F. Hinman .....	1899-1900-01-02
Adah Tomlinson .....	1903-04
Mary Potter .....	1905
Sarah C. Boughton .....	1906-07-08
Adah Tomlinson .....	1909-10-11
May Hardwick .....	1912-13
.....	Delegate
.....	Alternate

### McPHERSON CORPS NO. 150, MANNING.

Organized March 8, 1888.

Sarah Free ..... President

#### Past Presidents.

§Minnie C. Kuhn .....	1888-89
‡Helen Guild .....	1890
‡Rachel T. O'Flying .....	1891



‡Helen Guild .....	1892-93-94-95
§Lucy Salinger .....	1896-97
Rachel Blair .....	1898
‡Jennie C. Young (transferred to No. 24) .....	1899
‡Sophia Beal .....	1900
Rachel Blair .....	1901
§Frances M. Daily .....	1902-03
Emma Leonard .....	1904-05
‡Etta Emmons .....	1906-07
Sarah Free .....	1908-09
Frances Dailey .....	1910
Ruth Atherton .....	1911-12
Sarah Free .....	1913
Sarah Free .....	Delegate
Emma Grau .....	Alternate

### SILAS JACKSON CORPS NO. 152, WEST LIBERTY.

Organized April 2, 1888.

Ella M. Nichols .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Juliet C. Dove .....	1888
§Martha Tomlinson .....	1889
‡M. H. Shrouds .....	1890
Addie E. Unangst (transferred to No. 34) .....	1891
Louisa Jackson .....	1892
Mary A. Richards .....	1893
§Amanda Henderson .....	1894
§Lucy Worstell .....	1895-96
Abbie Regnier .....	1897-98-99
Amanda Mitchell .....	1900-01
Mary A. Ditmars .....	1902-03-04
Abbie Regnier .....	1905
Jennie Probst .....	1906
Ruth Waters .....	1907-08-09
Jennie Probst .....	1910
Ella Nichols .....	1911-12
Mary A. Ditmer .....	Delegate
Lou Buckman .....	Alternate

### F. M. THOMPSON CORPS NO. 153, LA PORTE CITY.

Organized March 31, 1888.

Lizzie Buchan .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Charlotte B. Morgan (transferred to No. 15) .....	1888-89-90
Adaline B. Waldorff .....	1891
Mary E. Young (transferred to No. 15) .....	1892
Adaline Waldorff .....	1893
§Mary Hurd .....	1894

‡Susan M. Smith	1895-96
Emma Hauger	1897-98
‡Nannie Young	1899
Emma Hauger	1900
Edith Adams	1901-02-03
Emma Hauger	1904
Edith Adams	1905-06
Lizzie Buchan	1907
§Rose Hazlett	1908
Lizzie Buchan	1909
*Lula Belle Esher	1910-11-12-13
Lulu Belle Esher	Delegate
Adaline Waldorf	Alternate

### JAMES RANDOLPH CORPS NO. 154, INDIANOLA.

Organized April 3, 1888.

Mattie J. Berryhill	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Mary Ogg	1888
§Eliza Graham	1889
§Amy Barnes	1890
‡Louisa Todhunter	1891
§Delia Corbet	1892-93
Sarah E. Lough	1894
Lou K. Moore	1895
Lizzie Bishop	(transferred from No. 24)
Belle Freeman	1896
§Julia Goodman	1897
§Julia Elsen	1898
§Martha M. Bell	1899
Matilda Schofield (transferred to No. 140)	1900
Rebecca Storey	1901
Elizabeth Ige	1902
Elizabeth Boyer	1903-04
§Hannah Hall	1905
Emma Barker	1906
Ella R. Coe (transferred to No. 201)	1907-08-09-10
Clara C. Weldin	1911-12-13
*Mrs. Fred Harris	Delegate
Clara Weldin	Alternate

### SAM RICE CORPS NO. 158, ATLANTIC.

Organized May 27, 1888.

Belle Pharos	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Kate Sears	1888
Frances Bell	1889
Mattie G. Murray (transferred)	1890
‡Susan Green	1891

Ellen Willis	1892-93
Helen Day	1894
Rose C. Williams	1895
Barbara L. Heiser	1896
‡Aurelia E. Bishop	1897
Anna Day (transferred)	1898
§Mary C. Lang	1899
Helen E. Day	1900
Mary Jane Vincent	1901-02
Mary McGrath	1903-04
Ellen W. Willis	1905
Belle Daniels	1906
Abbie Rowe	1907-08-09
§Emma Temple	1910
Mary Jane Vincent	1911-12
Belle Phares	1913
Belle Graham	Delegate
Carrie B. Seymours	Alternate

### ANDREW MILLS CORPS NO. 161, ROLFE.

Re-organized May 22, 1893.

Addie Pike ..... President

#### Past Presidents.

§Jennie M. Benson	1888
§Nellie Cooper	1889
‡Armintha Reed	1890
Disbanded	
§Lillian A. Bright	1894-95-96-97-98
Helen Chambers	1899
Philena Leithhead	1900-01
Rhoda Lothian	1902
Lizzie Hall	1903
§Lillie Lothian	1904
Addie Schung	1905
Margaret Delle	1906-07
§Belle Coffin	1908
Margaret Delle	1909
Clara Cooper	1910
Margaret Delle	1911
Anna Wiley	1912
Addie Gibbons	1913
Addie Pike	Delegate
Clara Cooper	Alternate

### HENRY DILLON CORPS NO. 163, EMMETSBURG.

Organized October 24, 1888.

Virginia Underwood ..... President

#### Past Presidents.

§Helen Bostwick ..... 1888-89

Lucy F. Beckman	1890
‡Cordelia Harrison	1891
‡Kate M. Duncan	1892
Maria B. McCarthy	1893
§Ida M. Jones	1894
Bertha Stuehmer	1895-96
§Ellen Brunnemer	1897
Bertha Stuehmer	1898
Lucy F. Beckman	1899-1900-01
Belle Dickison	1902
Emily Keller	1903
Lucy F. Beckman	1904-05-06-07
Laura G. Schroeder	1908-09-10-11
Virginia Underwood	1912-13
Carrie Ellis	Delegate
Ida Baker	Alternate

### MEMORIAL CORPS NO. 164, CRESCO.

Organized November 16, 1888.

*Susan Greenhalgh	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Louisa M. Barrett	1888-89
Celia Shumway	1890
Lucy Durgin	1891-92-93
Charlotte McIntosh	1894-95
Mary H. Howard	1896-97
Irene G. Adams	1898
Emma M. Whitney	1899
Charlotte McIntosh	1894-95
Kate Livingston	1902
Ida Andrus	1903
Ida Cornish	1904
May Ryan (transferred to Minnesota)	1905
Ida Cornish	1906-07
May Ryan	1908
Olive Register	1909-10
Minnie Harris	1911-12
Myrtle Yates	1913
*Jessie Gleason	Delegate
Hannah Enright	Alternate

### GEN. BELL CORPS NO. 165, KINGSLEY.

Reorganized December 16, 1910.

Luella McCurdy	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Mary A. Weisman	1888-89
‡Julia Simons	1890-91
Lizzie Tallman	1892-93-94
Mantie Twogood	1895

§Sadie M. Heald .....	1896
§Jennie N. Ward .....	1897-98
Alice Phillips (transferred) .....	1899-1900
§Jennie N. Ward .....	1901-02
Rebecca Edinger .....	1903-04
Rose Strayer .....	1905
Mary Williams .....	1906-07-08-09
Rebecca Mason .....	1910
Luella McCurdy .....	1911-12
Ellen Whitnell .....	1913
Grace E. Campbell .....	Delegate
Ellen Whitnell .....	Alternate

### LAUNTZ CORPS NO. 166, IRETON.

Organized January 12, 1889.

Ada Stafford .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Sarah J. Parsons (transferred to No. 27) .....	1889-90-91
Frances R. Wing .....	1892-93
Frankie Post (transferred Dept. California) .....	1894
§Lenna A. Cobb .....	1895
§May Scott .....	1896-97
Mattie Wells .....	1898
‡Isabel Rogers .....	1899
Nellie Pryor (transferred Dept. California) .....	1900
Altivena Welch .....	1901
§Nellie Pryor .....	1902
‡Lizzie Cartone .....	1903
Olive Buck .....	1904
§May Scott .....	1905
‡Belle Rogers .....	1906
Belle Donnell .....	1907
Josephine Black .....	1908-09
Julia Hefferman .....	1910
Ella Thompson .....	1911
Altivene Welch .....	1912
Ada Stafford .....	1913
.....	Delegate
.....	Alternate

### DECATUR CORPS NO. 167, DECATUR.

Organized January 9, 1889.

Catherine Donaldson .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Rebecca Negley .....	1889-90
Nellie Geeting .....	1891-92-93
Mollie Cherrington .....	1894
§Mattie Huston .....	1895

§Sarah B. Peck .....	1896
Phila Allen .....	1897
Nellie Geeting .....	1898-99
§Minnie Ward .....	1900
Cora Shelton .....	1901
Rachel P. Chamberlin .....	1902-03
Mollie Cherrington .....	1908
*Rachel P. Chamberlin .....	1909-10-11-12
Lizzie Cresswell .....	1913
Rachel Chamberlin .....	Delegate
Serepta Clearwater .....	Alternate

### JOHN C. FERGUSON CORPS NO. 170, KNOXVILLE.

Organized January 22, 1889.

Anna V. Little.....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Cynthia L. Mathews .....	1889
N. H. Kendig .....	1890
Artie Brobst .....	1891
Melcina Wright .....	1892-93
Jessie Bonebrake .....	1894-95
Cynthia L. Mathews .....	1896
‡Sue L. Budd .....	1897-98
*Alice P. Craddick .....	1899
Sarah Jacob .....	1900
Anna B. Little .....	1901
Jessie Bonebrake .....	1902
Mary Spaid .....	1903
Melcina Wright .....	1904-05
Jennie M. Garretson .....	1906
Cynthia A. West .....	1907-08-09
Emma Amos .....	1910-11
Nellie Pierce Woodruff .....	(transferred from No. 27)
Ella Ghrist .....	1912
Anna V. Little .....	1913
*Hortense McQuillan .....	Delegate
*Jennie Inskeep .....	Delegate
Flora Buckles .....	Alternate
Martha Neeley .....	Alternate

### JOHN DILLON CORPS NO. 171, MARENGO.

Organized January 25, 1889.

Annie Patterson .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Mary V. Reno .....	1889-90-91
Laura Stover .....	1892
‡Jennie H. Hedrick .....	1893-94
Mary Bauserman .....	1895

§Viola E. Brown .....	1896
Grace Latta (transferred) .....	1897
Phoebe Sweeney .....	1898
Fannie Raney .....	1899-1900
Josephine Lyons .....	1901
Minnie Gode .....	1902
Anna Patterson .....	1903-04
§Toledo Salisbury .....	1905
Carrie Shelly .....	1906
Emma Lyons .....	1907
Frankie Bricker .....	1908
*Mary C. McBride .....	1909
Mary Snively .....	1910
Adda Richardson .....	1911
Effie Owen .....	1912-13
Mary McBride .....	Delegate
Alice Lacher .....	Alternate

### McCRAY CORPS NO. 177, PRAIRIE CITY.

Organized February 19, 1889.

Minnie L. Norris .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Margaret B. Kingdom .....	1889
‡Maria A. Gifford .....	1890
Ellen Ward (transferred) .....	1891
Emma Woodward .....	1892
‡Mary Bryan .....	1893
§Sarah L. Feathers .....	1894-95
Anna Ryan .....	1896
Ella Yowell .....	1897-98-99-1900-01
Ellen Gill (transferred to Florida) .....	1902
Minnie Norris .....	1903
§Mamie Bryan .....	1904
Ella Yowell .....	1905-06
May Graham .....	1907
Ellen Gill .....	1908
Sue V. Brown .....	1909
Carrie Wiggin .....	1910
Ella Brous .....	1911
Anna M. Turner .....	1912
Nellie Taylor .....	1913
Sue V. Brown .....	Delegate
Amanda Kingdom .....	Alternate

### HARLAN CORPS NO. 178, HARLAN.

Organized March 11, 1889.

Emily Laughman .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Isabel Chauce .....	1889-90
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‡Emily Ross .....	1891-92-93
§Amelia J. Meed .....	1894-95-96-97-98
Mary C. Morris .....	1899-1900-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11
Marietta Reynolds .....	1912-13
Marietta Reynolds .....	Delegate
.....	Alternate

### ABE LINCOLN CORPS NO. 180, COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Organized April 3, 1889.

Emma Alexander .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Nettie Brown .....	1889
‡Anna E. Campbell .....	1890
§Lou C. Searles .....	1891
§Eleanor Drew .....	1892
‡Anna E. Campbell .....	1893-94
Stella Talbott .....	1895
Mary Shreves .....	1896
Mary Foster .....	1897
Favorette Wetherbee .....	1898
Estella Talbot .....	1899
Mary Hoon .....	1900
Mary Abbot .....	1901-02
Nettie Brown .....	1903-04-05
‡Mattie E. Witter .....	1906-07
Mary Warren .....	1908
Eva Overmyer .....	1909
Esther Spencer .....	1910
Augusta Cook .....	1911
Amy C. Reed .....	(transferred from No. 146)
Nettie Brown .....	1912
Esther Spencer .....	1913
Esther Spencer .....	Delegate
*Annie E. Crocker .....	Alternate

### MCKENZIE CORPS NO. 181, SHELDON.

Organized May 7, 1889.

Dora Mayfield .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Chloe E. Cole (transferred to No. 108) .....	1889-90
‡Josephine Stone .....	1891-92-93
Belle J. Storey .....	1894
Sarah E. Allen (transferred) .....	1895-96
‡Eugenia Gillespie .....	1897
Sue Heastand (transferred) .....	1898
‡Rachel McClellan .....	1899
Celia A. Perry .....	1900
Eleanor L. Gibson .....	1901



§Althea O. Merrill	1902
‡Harriet Ward	1903-04
Dora Mayfield	1905-06
Elizabeth Hayes	1907
‡Eugenia Gillespie	1908-09
Harriet Ward	1910-11
Dora Mayfield	1912-13
Rebecca Farley	Delegate
Lida Robbins	Alternate

**LENTZ CORPS NO. 183, FONTANELLE.****Organized May 21, 1889.**

Nettie Green	President
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**Past Presidents.**

Lizzie H. Kilburn	1889-90
Josephine Lunley	1891
Anna McDermid	1892-93
Fannie Raney	1894-95
Adah Stewart	1896
Teleda Salisbury	1897-98-99
Adah Stewart	1900
Minnie Scofield	1901-02-03
Candas Adams	1904-05
Sarah McCampbell	1906
Hattie Freeman	1907
Candas Adams	1908-09
Alice Launder	1910-11-12
Nettie Green	1913
Nellie Drake	Delegate
Ethel Fritz	Alternate

**C. H. PACKARD CORPS NO. 184, RENWICK.****Organized May 25, 1889.**

Sarah Walkner	President
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**Past Presidents.**

Alice M. Gillespie	1889-90
Cassa Junkins	1891
‡Phoebe Trask	1892
Alice M. Gillespie	1893
Amy Starr	1894
§Mary A. Butler	1895
Anna Junkins	1896-97-98
Amy Starr	1899-1900-01-02
Celia Rice	1903
Amy Starr	1904-05-06-07-08
Emma J. Fisher	1909
Anna Junkins	1910
Amy Starr	1911

Sarah Minor .....	1912
Sarah M. Walkner .....	1913
Amy Starr .....	Delegate
Inez Merson .....	Alternate

### HARTLEY CORPS NO. 189, HARTLEY.

Organized August 1, 1889.

Mary Charles .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Eliza A. Messer .....	1889-90-91
§Alice Miller .....	1892
Amanda Sitler .....	1893
Eliza A. Meser .....	1894
Nettie V. Stewart .....	1895
§Carrie Howard .....	1896-97
Eliza A. Messer .....	1898
Amanda Sitler .....	1899
Ida M. Conn .....	1900-01
Gertrude Medland .....	1902-03
§Lulu McElwaine .....	1904
Carrie Nelson .....	1905-06
Nina Sims .....	1907-08-09
Nettie V. Stewart .....	1910
Eliza A. Messer .....	1911
Gussie Metcalf .....	1912
Carrie M. Knapp .....	1913
Mary Charles .....	Delegate
Ruby Boyce .....	Alternate

### JAMES BUTLER CORPS NO.190, CLARKSVILLE.

Organized September 28, 1889.

Flora Stevens .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Margaret E. Burton .....	1889
§Nellie Thompson .....	1890
Lizzie Hickie .....	1891-92
Florella Cave .....	1893-94
Lizzie Hickie .....	1895
Katie Kephart .....	1896
Mary C. Turpipt. ....	1897
Lizzie Hickie .....	1898
Ellen Penrose .....	1899-1900
Florella Cave .....	1901-02
Flora Stevens .....	1903
Sarah Bouton .....	1904-05
Sabra Molsberry .....	1906
Flora Stevens .....	1907
Mary Patterson .....	1908-09-10

Sabra Molsberry .....	1911
Ellen Penrose .....	1912-13
Pearl Neal .....	Delegate
Sarah Benton .....	Alternate

### GEORGE W. S. DODGE CORPS NO. 192, NASHUA.

Organized October 10, 1889.

Mary E. Noble .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Rachel A. Jones .....	1889-90
Morella Parish .....	1891
Rachel Jones .....	1892
Morella Parish .....	1893
Julia Watt .....	1894
Morella Parish .....	1895-96-97
Zelia Noble (transferred) .....	1898-99-1900
‡Emma Ogbin .....	1901
Zelia Noble .....	1902
‡Catherine Belden .....	1903
Allie Foster .....	1904-05
Almeda Taylor .....	1906
Allie Foster .....	1907
Zelia Noble .....	1908
Almeda Taylor .....	1909
Morella Parish .....	1910
Mary E. Helms .....	1911
Marion Knight .....	1912
Mary E. Noble .....	1913
Jane Badger .....	Delegate
Morella Parish .....	Alternate

### WM. B. GRIFFITH CORPS NO. 194, EAGLE GROVE.

Organized November 4, 1889.

*Anna W. Thorup .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Marjie S. Archer .....	1889-90
Millie R. Sidwell (transferred to No. 335) .....	1891
‡Marjie S. Archer .....	1892
Amelia Brown .....	1893-94
Ethel Griffith .....	1895
‡Diana Schoonover .....	1896-97-98
Laura France .....	1899-1900
Hannah Hathaway .....	1901
Della B. Conklings .....	1902
Laura France .....	1903
Diana Schoonover .....	1904
Hannah Hathaway .....	1905
Lydia Gardiner .....	1906
Mary Humphrey .....	1907

Grace Evans	1908
Minnie Beal	1909-10
Delia Conklings	1911
Phoebe Jones	(transferred from No. 60)
Anna W. Thorup	1912-13
Annie W. Thorup	Delegate
Nellie Boustead	Alternate

### HENRY KEATING CORPS NO. 196, AFTON.

Organized January 8, 1890.

Lydia J. Corbin	President
Past Presidents.	

Rachel P. Crawford	1890
Jennie B. Keating	1891-92
Carrie Macomber (transferred to Dept. Colorado)	1893
\$Mary E. Dietrick	1894
Eliza Bird	1897
\$Mary L. Seeley	1898
Sarah Lutman	1899
Carrie Macomber	1900
\$Mary E. Dietrick	1901-02
Mary L. Seeley	1903-04
Mary Elwell	1905
Eliza Wiles	1906
C. M. Wright	1907
‡Mary A. Delay	1908
‡Emily Mosteller	1909
Effie B. Craig	1910-11
Mary Lamb	1912-13
Eliza Wiles	Delegate
Emma Palmer	Alternate

### LANDER CORPS NO. 200, LAKE CITY.

Organized January 11, 1890.

Mabel Brown	President
Past Presidents.	

Martha Bangs	1890
‡Roxie Smith	1891-92
Emma Fitch	1893-94
Lizzie S. Hutchinson	1895-96
Myrtle Losee	1897
Lizzie S. Hutchinson	1898
Cordelia Flinn (transferred to Illinois)	1899-1900
Phoebe Stewart	1901
Cora Swender	1902-03-04
‡Maggie Gregory	1905
Lizzie Brown	1906
Lora Losee	1907
Martha L. Leonard	1908

Cora Swender .....	1909
Sarah E. Booth .....	1910
Fronia Oxenford .....	1911-12
Lucy Patterson .....	1913
Fronia Oxenford .....	Delegate
Mary Ketchum .....	Alternate

### GEN. W. T. SHERMAN CORPS NO. 201, SAC CITY.

Organized February 24, 1890.

*Ella Coe .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Dollie A. Armstrong .....	1890-91
Louise P. Parker .....	1892
‡Emeline L. Schaller .....	1893
Dollie A. Armstrong .....	1894
‡Rose M. Watt .....	1895
M. A. Brownell .....	1896
‡Charlotte Palmer .....	1897
‡Dollie A. Armstrong .....	1898-99
Marie C. Healey .....	1900
‡Margaret R. Hawthorne .....	1901-02
‡Athelia M. Gordon .....	1903
Martha Ingram .....	1904
Jennie Maule .....	1905-06
Catherine Schaller .....	1907
Louisa Schoenthal .....	1908
Mary A. Crouch .....	1909
Alice Van Vleet .....	1910-11
Hattie Johnson .....	(transferred from No. 20)
Delia Seitz Means .....	(transferred from No. 295)
‡Elizabeth Means .....	(transferred from Dept. Illinois)
Ella Coe .....	1912-13
Ella R. Coe .....	Delegate
Adah Cheney .....	Alternate

### ROBERT ALLEN CORPS NO. 202, RIVERSIDE.

Organized March 11, 1890.

Agnes Reha .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Nora Overfelt .....	1890-91
Mary Huntley .....	1892-93
Nora Overfelt .....	1894
‡Mary Huntley .....	1895
‡Calla Brown .....	1896
Calla Brown Woodbur .....	1897
Laura Godlove .....	1898
Mary Druff (transferred to Dept. Kansas).....	1899-1900-01
Laura Godlove .....	1902

*Carrie Iden .....	1903
§Agnes Rankin .....	1904
Eldora McClusky (transferred to No. 26) .....	1905
Laura Godlove .....	1906
Irma Critz .....	1907
Laura Godlove .....	1908
Evaline Allen .....	1909
Jeanette McLaughlin .....	1910
May Flynn .....	1911-12
Agnes Reha .....	1913
*Carrie Iden .....	Delegate
Evelyn Allen .....	Alternate

### **S. F. JORDAN CORPS NO. 203, PRIMGAR.**

**Re-organized September 6, 1898.**

Emily Powers .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

Henrietta W. Acer .....	1890-91
Disbanded .....	1892
Jennie C. Semmons .....	1898-99
Emma J. Wicks .....	1900-01
Esther Winterble .....	1902
Samantha L. Rerick .....	1903-04
Emma Wicks .....	1905-06
Mary Seeley .....	1907
Emma Wicks .....	1908
Samantha L. Rerick .....	1909
Ida Bunce .....	1910
Samantha L. Rerick .....	1911
Emma J. Wicks .....	1912
Ella Irving .....	1913
Emily Powers .....	Delegate
Mattie Rerick .....	Alternate

### **MYERHOFF CORPS NO. 205, NODAWAY.**

**Organized May 3, 1890.**

Stella Shiffer .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

Cynthia Booe .....	1890-91-92
Martha J. Fravell .....	1893
Sarah Shiffer .....	1894
Ella Beatty .....	1895
Florence Agnew .....	1896-97
Virginia Johnson .....	1898
Florence Agnew .....	1899
Martha Fravell .....	1900
Sarah Kennedy .....	1901
Ella Beatty .....	1902

§Florence Agnew .....	1903
Sarah Kennedy .....	1904-05
Martha Segriff .....	1906
Martha Fravell .....	1907-08
Orinthia E. Booe .....	1909
Sarah Kennedy .....	1910-11
Mattie E. Kernan .....	1912-13
Mattie E. Kernan.....	Delegate
Orynthia Booe .....	Alternate

### LEON CORPS NO. 206, LEON.

Organized May 9, 1890.

*Anna E. Brown .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Sarah J. George .....	1890-91
Frances S. Jenks .....	1892
§Anna Allen .....	1893-94
Bessie Cross .....	1895-96
Anna Allen .....	1897
Emma F. Harvey .....	1898
Anna Allen .....	1899-1900
Bessie Cross .....	1901
Hannah Lorey .....	1902
Frances Jenks .....	1903-04
Arminta Van Derley (transferred to No. 102).....	1905-06
‡Marie Crouse .....	1907
Hannah L. Evans .....	1908
Anna E. Brown .....	1909
Hannah Evans .....	1910-11
Anna E. Brown .....	1912-13
Hannah L. Evans .....	Delegate
Olivia J. Merwin .....	Alternate

### TRACY CORPS NO. 207, GUTHRIE CENTER.

Organized May 9, 1890.

Jane McLuen .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Amelia A. Taylor .....	1890
‡Ellen Lyons .....	1891-92
§Welathy Brumbaugh .....	1893-94
Mary J. Hill .....	1895-96-97
§Mary Hammond .....	1898
‡Serena Sowell .....	1899
§Julia Mercer .....	1900
Jane Dowd (transferred to Dept Colorado).....	1901
Julia Mercer .....	1902
Olivia Biggs .....	1903
Julia Mercer .....	1904

Nancy Wilson .....	1905
Jane Dowd .....	1906-07
Etna Lamon .....	1908
Elizabeth Smith .....	1909-10
Jennie Sayre .....	1911-12
Jane McLuen .....	1913
*Lou Moore .....	Delegate
Mary Trent .....	Alternate

### JAMES C. TAYLOR CORPS NO. 208, ALGONA.

Organized May 22, 1890.

Armeda E. Stewart .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Dona L. Sheetz .....	1890-91
‡Mary A. Vincent .....	1892
Cornelia Dodd .....	1893
Nannie E. Setchell .....	1894
‡Mary E. Taylor .....	1895
Harriet E. Stacy .....	1896
Hattie M. Reed( transferred to No. 27).....	1897
Lydia C. Dodge .....	1898
Hannah Teller (transferred to Washington).....	1899
Sarah McCoy .....	1900
*Hattie L. Gilbert .....	1901
*Ella Laird .....	1902
§Mary G. Mason .....	1903
Mary Taylor .....	1904
Joan Pettibone .....	1905
Laura Robinson (transferred to No. 26).....	1906
Jane Chapin .....	1907
Nellie Bowyer .....	1908
§Lillian Norton .....	1909
Jane Chap'n .....	1910
*Emma C. Spear .....	1911
Julia F. Brace .....	1912
Mary E. Parker .....	1913
Ella Laird .....	Delegate
Hattie L. Gilbert .....	Alternate

### SHIELDS CORPS NO. 210, DUNLAP.

Organized June 17, 1890.

Mina Cover .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Rachel L. Childs .....	1890-91
‡Anna Patterson .....	1892
Mina Van Slyke .....	1893-94
Hannah Servis .....	1895
‡Electa Dean .....	1896



§Mary Wood .....	1897
Hattie Randall (transferred) .....	1898
§Pearl Brady .....	1899
Mina Van Slyke .....	1900
Sarah Cook .....	1901
§Lola Colwell Houts .....	1902
Jennie McElroy Tank (transferred) .....	1903
‡Jane Nash .....	1904
Tessie Jones .....	1905
§Mary Moorehead .....	1906
Ella Taylor .....	1907
Iza Anderson (transferred) .....	1908
Nellie Elbert .....	1909
Effie Schlensig .....	1910-11
Mattie Palmer .....	1912
Nellie Elbert .....	1913
*Lena D. Peters .....	Delegate
Florence Davie .....	Alternate

### HENRY SIEBERT CORPS NO. 212, WILTON JUNCTION.

Organized June 25, 1890.

Amelia T. Allen .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Elizabeth Mortgrage .....	1890
Frances Cooling .....	1891-92
‡Alice Conant .....	1893-94
§Alice Carter .....	1895
Elizabeth Mortgrage .....	1896
Mary E. Wise .....	1897
§Fannie Cooling .....	1898-99
Mary E. Wise .....	1900-01
Myrtle Marshall .....	1902-03
Sarah J. Dawson .....	1904
Myrtle Marshall .....	1905
Mary E. Wise .....	1906
Myrtle Marshall .....	1907
Maud Edge .....	1908
Mary E. Wise .....	1909-10-11-12
Amelia T. Allen .....	1913
Mrs. Frank Fulton .....	Delegate
Amelia T. Allen .....	Alternate

### EMERSON CORPS NO. 214, EMERSON.

Organized August 14, 1890.

Luella Gilmore .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Sarah McDill (transferred) .....	1890-91
‡Sarah Strickler .....	1892-93-94-95

‡Emma Fuller .....	1896-97
Jennie Davis .....	1898
‡Sarah Strickler .....	1899-1900
Alice Douglass .....	1901-02-03
§Kate Hicks .....	1904
Minnie Jones .....	1905-06
Ida Steen .....	1907-08
Emma K. Rhodes .....	1909
Alice Douglas .....	1910
Luella Gilmore .....	1911-12-13
Luella Gilmore .....	Delegate
Ida Steen .....	Alternate

### VANDERPOEL CORPS NO. 215, MITCHELL.

Organized August 26, 1890.

Emma Piper .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Emily A. Vanderpoel .....	1890-91
Emma V. Strouse .....	1892
Mary Aldrich .....	1893
Villa Leonard .....	1894
Rebecca George .....	1895
Elizabeth J. Chambers .....	1896
Hannah Horsefall .....	1897
Emily Vanderpoel .....	1898
Emma A. Drake .....	1899-1900
Josephine Horner .....	1901
Lizzie Wilkins .....	1902
Emma Piper .....	1903
Mary L. Morehouse .....	1904
Mary Aldrich .....	1905
Alice Grettenburg .....	1906-07
Emily Vanderpoel .....	1908-09-10-11
Emma Piper .....	1912-13
.....	Delegate
.....	Alternate

### EATON CORPS NO. 216, WOODBINE.

Organized August 20, 1890.

Grace K. DeCou .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Mary E. Clark .....	1890
Mary Cleveland .....	1891-92
Camilla Hall .....	1893-94
Ida M. Hass .....	1895
Ellen Mathis (transferred to Colorado).....	1896-97
Mary A. Tuttle .....	1898-99
Minnie Heslin (transferred) .....	1900

Camilla Hall .....	1901-02
Nora M. Cox (transferred to California) .....	1903-04
Mary A. Tuttle .....	1905-06-07
Camilla Hall .....	1908-09-10
Mary A. Tuttle .....	1911
Clara J. Ford .....	1912
Rose Yager .....	1913
Etta Copeland .....	Delegate
Camilla Hall .....	Alternate

### WM. BEAVER CORPS NO. 220, TIPTON.

Organized November 25, 1890.

Dora Vanmeeter .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Helen E. Longley (transferred to No. 15) .....	1890-91
‡Nancy J. Dean .....	1892-93
Anna Smith .....	1894
Eva Reeder .....	1895
Melinda Neeley (transferred to Nebraska) .....	1896-97
Louise Bossert .....	1898-99
§Marian Russell .....	1900
Lena Seitsinger .....	1901-02-03
Eunice Foy .....	1904
Anna Smith .....	1905-06
Anna Bagley .....	1907-08
Flora Porter .....	1909-10
Lena Seitsinger .....	1911
Flora Porter .....	1912-13
*Flora Porter .....	Delegate
Florence Smith .....	Alternate

### ED. CARRIS CORPS NO. 221, KEOTA.

Organized November 15, 1890.

*Vionna J. Sharp .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Mary E. McFarland .....	1890
§Emmor Campbell .....	1891-92
‡Mary Wilcox .....	1893
‡M. E. Clark .....	1894
Nettie L. Eaton .....	1895
Ellen McFarland .....	1896
§Emmor Campbell .....	1897-98
Mary E. McFarland .....	1899-1900
Emma B. Wright .....	1901
Mary E. McFarland .....	1902-03
Emma B. Wright .....	1904-05
Telva A. Holmes .....	1906-07
Fay R. Thomson .....	1908

Ciara Henry .....	1909
Laura Shrader .....	1912
Fay R. Thomson .....	1910-11
Emma B. Wright .....	1913
Vionna Sharp .....	Delegate
Fay R. Thomson .....	Alternate

### FRANK NOLAN CORPS NO. 222, RUSSELL.

Organized December 6, 1890.

Hester Kimmouth .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Mary C. Grayson .....	1890-91-92-93
Margaret Irvine .....	1894-95
§Mary C. Grayson .....	1896
Jennie Pyle .....	1897
Ellen A. Boyd .....	1898-99-1900
Emeline Goltry .....	1901
Ellen A. Boyd .....	1902-03-04
‡Mary J. Cook .....	1905-06
Ellen A. Boyd .....	1907-08-09-10
Hester Kinmouth .....	1911-12-13
*Esther Walker .....	Delegate
Emma Cotter .....	Alternate

### JOHN DAVIS CORPS NO. 224, JESUP.

Organized January 24, 1891.

Eva Kenneally .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Abby D. Rich .....	1891-92
Ellen Ennis .....	1893
Abby D. Rich .....	1894-95
Fannie K. Frink .....	1896
Katherine Brown .....	1897-98-99
Lucinda Tunks .....	1900
Almyra Goen (transferred) .....	1901
Hattie Searles .....	1902
Ellen Ennis .....	1903-04-05-06
Maria Rich .....	1907
Fannie K. Frink .....	1908-09
Amelia Salisbury .....	1910-11
Eva Kenneally .....	1912-13
.....	Delegate
.....	Alternate

### HOWE CORPS NO. 227, BRITT.

Organized February 3, 1891.

Ella S. Guy .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

Clara Nicols (transferred to South Dakota).....	1891
Lillie H. Healey .....	1892-93
Nancy Barr (transferred to No. 6).....	1894
§Helen Brown .....	1895
Ida I. Duff (transferred to No. 72).....	1896
§Della Palmer .....	1897
‡Emma H. Carey .....	1898-99
Emma H. Castle .....	1900
Emma Mudgett .....	1901-02
Eliza K. Miller .....	1903-04
‡Kate Brown .....	1905
Lucy Shriver (transferred) .....	1906
Ruth Garthwait .....	1907-08
Laura A. Petterson .....	1909-10
Maggie Hales .....	1911-12
Ella S. Guy .....	1913
Hattie Mackin .....	Delegate
Laura B. Rood .....	Alternate

**ROBERT OLMSTEAD CORPS NO. 228, NEW HARTFORD.****Organized February 14, 1891.**

Mary Bennett .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

Rosina C. Plummer .....	1891-92
Margaret Hemmerling (transferred to No. 26) .....	1893
‡Sarah B. Martin .....	1894-95-96
Emma Fitch .....	1897
Rosina C. Plummer .....	1898-99
Maria J. Peck (transferred) .....	1900
Rosina C. Plummer .....	1901-02-03
Alta D. Dove .....	1904-05
Emma Ramsay .....	1906-07
Eva Wright .....	1908-09
Rosina C. Plummer .....	1910-11-12
Almina Morrison .....	1913

**BELDEN CORPS NO. 230, MISSOURI VALLEY.****Organized March 6, 1891.**

Abbie A. Davis .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

‡Clara A. Davis .....	1891
Mary E. Boies .....	1892
§Mary G. Sniff .....	1893
Clara A. Davis .....	1894
‡Inez F. Foster .....	1895
Ella L. Crowder .....	1896-97

Clara A. Davis .....	1898-99
Josie Rainbow .....	1900
Emma Newfind .....	1901
Anna F. Lord (transferred) .....	1902
Eliza L. Waters .....	1903-04
Margaret E. Myers .....	1905
Emma Newfind .....	1906
Emma E. Emmery .....	1907
Carrie Colenso .....	1908-09
Lea N. Smith .....	1910
Lizzie Tucker .....	1911
Margaret Myers .....	1912
Abbie A. Davis .....	1913
*Lillian Morgan .....	Delegate
Margaret E. Meyers .....	Alternate

### HOWLAND CORPS NO. 232, LOHRVILLE.

Organized April 11, 1891.

Nellie McDonald ..... President

#### Past Presidents.

Louisa Hicks .....	1891-92-93
Betsy Smith .....	1894-95
Nellie McDonald .....	1896
Mary E. Eberhart .....	1897
Sophie McCready .....	1898-99-1900
Nellie A. Patton .....	1901
Lucy Carlton .....	1902
Nora Cline .....	1903
Mary E. Eberhart .....	1904-05-06-07
Nellie McDonald .....	1908-09
Sarah Hibbard .....	1910-11
Nellie McDonald .....	1912-13

### T. F. BRADFORD CORPS NO. 234, TAMA.

Organized April 15, 1891.

Hattie R. Knights ..... President

#### Past Presidents.

Ella A. Anderson .....	1891-92
‡Sarah Bentley .....	1893
Clara Gadbury .....	1894
‡Matilda Morrison .....	1895
Lottie Gadbury .....	1896
‡Clara E. Bromley .....	1897-98
‡Lottie Gadbury .....	1899
‡Katie Luethye .....	1900
‡Ruth Brown .....	1901
Clara Gadbury .....	1902
Frances Posegate Cory .....	1903-04

Clara Gadbury .....	1905
Ella J. Shoff .....	1906
Mary Kallum .....	1907
Mary A. Walker .....	1908
Mary Bell .....	1909
Mary Cory .....	1910
Ellen J. Bard .....	1911-12
Louisa Frahm .....	1913
*Mary Kallam .....	Delegate
Clara Gadbury .....	Alternate

### JOHN MILLER CORPS NO. 242, ST. CHARLES.

Organized January 14, 1892.

Mamie Anderson .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Jennie Browne .....	1892-93
‡Persis Smith .....	1894-95-96
Belle Irvin .....	1897-98-99
Louisa Johnson .....	1900
§Laura Sayre .....	1901
‡Adeline Carman .....	1902-03-04
‡Kate Avery Marcerol .....	1905-06
Mollie Roberts .....	1907-08
Belle Irvin .....	1909
*Amanda Chronicle .....	1910
Margaret Armstrong .....	1911
Virginia Brown .....	1912
*Ella Winters .....	1913
Ella Winters .....	Delegate
Louisa Johnston .....	Alternate

### FONDA CORPS NO. 243, FONDA.

Organized December 18, 1891.

Lucy Johnson .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Lou M. Hornaday .....	1892
Julia Wilkinson .....	1893
‡Loresta Sanborn .....	1894
‡Susie H. Mallinson .....	1895-96
‡Mary M. Haven .....	1897
Loresta Sanborn .....	1898
Lucy Johnson .....	1899-1900
Helen M. Hull (transferred to Dept. California) .....	1901
Delia A. Raymond .....	1902
Lucy Johnson .....	1903
Delilah Osborn .....	1904-05-06
Delia Raymond .....	1907
Lucy Johnson .....	1908

Mable Wright .....	1909-10
Delilah Osborn .....	1911
Nettie B. Karr .....	1912-13
Helen G. Cotton .....	Delegate
Maggie Hartung .....	Alternate

### WILSON CORPS NO. 244, GRUNDY CENTER.

Organized January 11, 1892.

Helen F. Walker .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Louise M. Anderson .....	1892
§Margaret E. Sargent (transferred to No. 11) .....	1893-94-95
‡Laura A. Knapp .....	1896
Mary J. Eaton (transferred to No. 15) .....	1897-98
Cornelia E. Bourne .....	1899
*Laura A. Boysen .....	1900
§Sallie M. Reynolds .....	1901-02
Melvina B. Laybourn .....	1903-04
Emma C. Wass .....	1905-06
*Anna Metzger .....	1907-08-09-10
Melvina B. Laybourn .....	1911
Elsie V. Stevens .....	1912
"Jennie R. Kelley .....	1913
"Mary E. Mutch .....	Delegate
Jennie R. Kelley .....	Alternate

### JAMES BIDDLECOME CORPS NO. 245, AKRON.

Organized February 20, 1892.

Mary E. Lias .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Sarah J. Parsons (transferred to No. 27) .....	1892-93
§Minnie Ruble .....	1894
Bede D. Barr .....	1895
§Da'sy A. Peters .....	1896-97
Maggie Wise .....	1898-99
‡Hester Kenaston .....	1900-01
Anna Visnow .....	1902
‡Nettie Carlyle .....	1903
§Vira Baker .....	1904-05
Maggie Wise .....	<b>1906-07</b>
Sarah A. Lyons .....	1908
Maggie Wise .....	1909-10
Elsie B. Wade .....	1912-13
Mary Lias .....	Delegate
*Jessie Warner .....	Delegate
‡Elsie B. Wade .....	Alternate
Minnie Vanderbuk .....	Alternate



**BURNSIDE CORPS NO. 250, SHENANDOAH.****Organized March 18, 1892.**

\*Lizzie B. Crane ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

§Celesta Field .....	1892-93
§Clara Rockafeld .....	1894
‡Mattie Bailey .....	1895
§Belle Duke .....	1896
Elizabeth Greer (transferred to No. 154) .....	1897
§Themis Scholl .....	1898
Lizzie Crane .....	1899
§Ella Humphrey .....	1900
§Eliza Damewood .....	1901-02
§Ella G. Castle .....	1903-04
Mary S. Baily .....	1905-06
Dora Hindman (transferred to Nebraska) .....	1907
Jennie Deighton .....	1908
Alice C. Ratekin .....	1909-10
Laura B. Hale .....	1911
Belle F. Bryte .....	1912-13
*Lizzie B. Crane .....	Delegate
*Jennie J. Green .....	Alternate

**GEORGE H. THOMAS CORPS NO. 251, JEFFERSON.****Organized April 16, 1892.**

Henrietta Sayers ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

M. Dyle Mills .....	1892-93-94
Maggie Austin .....	1895
Rhoda Miller .....	1896
§Minnie Black .....	1897-98
Mariah King .....	1899-1900
Frona Shipman .....	1901-02
*Naomi Bradley .....	1903-04-05
Martha Custer .....	1906
Naomi Bradley .....	1907
Rosetta Troxell .....	1908
Cecilia Barkley .....	1909
Flora Brian .....	1910
Vina E. Delaplane .....	1911-12
Jennie Daggett .....	1913
*Eva Head .....	Delegate
Flora E. Brian .....	Alternate

**A. W. DRIPPS CORPS NO. 253, MAQUOKETA.****Organized April 23, 1892.**

Minnie Miller ..... President

**Past Presidents.**

‡Lou Trout .....	1892
§Emma L. Rice .....	1893
‡Amanda Carson .....	1894
Fannie Glaser .....	1895-96
Lydia Johnson .....	1897
Mary Cain .....	1898-99-1900
Sarah Macomber .....	1901-02
Amy Burns .....	1903
‡Anna L. Allison .....	1904-05
Mattie Cook .....	1906
Josie Gurins .....	1907-08-09
Mary Buchanan .....	1910-11-12
Minnie Miller .....	1913
Minnie Miller .....	Delegate
*Eliza Riggs .....	Alternate

**JOHN A. BUCK CORPS NO. 254, LISBON.****Organized May 6, 1892.**

Helen Fouse .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

‡Lizzie Barnacle .....	1892-93
Mary S. Smith .....	1894
§Emma Downing .....	1895
Mary S. Smith .....	1896
§Katherine Stahl .....	1897
Emma Downing .....	1898-99
Mary S. Smith .....	1900-01-02-03
§Eva McClelland .....	1904-05-06
§Louise Blessing .....	1907
Mary S. Smith .....	1908-09
Mary Kenderdine .....	1910-11
Mary S. Smith .....	1912
Helen Fouse .....	1913
Mrs. W. C. Stuckslager .....	Delegate
Mrs. Bertha Fouse .....	Delegate
Janet Barnes .....	Alternate
*Lora Moore .....	Alternate

**E. D. BAKER CORPS NO. 256, STORM LAKE.****Organized June 10, 1892.**

Mrs. Louisa A. Clark .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

Sybil J. Kerlin .....	1892
‡Mary K. Tower .....	1893-94
Adelia Currier .....	1895
Celia A. Bowers .....	1896

Mary L. James	1897
‡Clara E. Reed	1898
Margaret Hanks	1899
Laura Harlan	1900-01
Emma A. Moore	1902-03
Louise A. Clark	1904
Lizzie Brown	1905-06
Mary J. Totman	1907
Mary Bierden	1908-09
Mary J. Totman	1910
Laura N. Kaufman	1911-12
Grace Stevens	1913
Mary Bierden	Delegate
Lizzie Brown	Alternate

### MONONA CORPS NO. 257, MONONA.

Organized July 21, 1892.

Alice Mason	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Abbie Slitor	1892-93
Kate Otis	1894
Lavonia Littler	1895
Esther Davis	1896
Sarah Nelings	1897-98
Clara Curtis	1899-1900-01
Sarah Nelings	1902
‡Jennie Wellman	1903
Elizabeth Casady	1904
Clara Curt's	1905
Sara Gilbert	1906
Sarah Nelings	1907
Parma O. Wilson	1908
Clara Curtis	1909
Parma O. Wilson	1910
Lizzie Russell	1911-12
Alice Mason	1913
Parma O. Wilson	Delegate
Julia Howard	Alternate

### HIRAM STEELE CORPS NO. 258, EDGEWOOD.

Organized August 27, 1892.

Mary J. King	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡E. R. Kinsie	1892
Violet Perry	1893
Julia Hubbell	1894
Cynthia Robinson	1895
Alvira Newman	1896-97-98-99-1900

Martha Garrison (transferred to Missouri)	1901
Ellen J. Burgin	1902
Effie Maxson	1903
Aivira Newmau	1904
Jane Sevey	1905
Eva Rhines	1906
*Ellen J. Burgin	1907-08-09-10
Maria R. Sims	1911-12
Ardell Duncan	1913
Mary J. King	Delegate
Effie Maxson	Alternate

### OPEDYKE CORPS NO. 261, ROCKWELL CITY.

Organized November 18, 1892.

Sadie K. Meade	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Jennie F. Babcock	1892
‡Minerva Gregg	1893
‡Elinor Thorne	1894
Ruth B. Condron	1895
Esther C. Burch	1896
May Babcock	1897
‡Estella Shew	1898-99
§Anna Carrier	1900
‡Estella Shew	1901
§Frances Hoskins	1902
Katie Randall	1903-04-05
Ruth B. Condron	1906
Ella Glaze	1907
Emma R. Risely	1908
Lillie Toms	1909-10
Ruth B. Condron	1911-12
*Roberta Squaires	1913
Roberta Squaires	Delegate
Mary Birch	Alternate

### E. B. TOWNSEND CORPS NO. 263, BLOOMFIELD.

Re-organized April 7, 1894.

Margaret Senseny	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Orinda E. Appleton	1892-93-94
Helena Stevens	1895-96
Orinda E. Appleton	1897
Susan Jones	1898
Edith M. Appleton	1899-1900
Nellie Lain	1901-02
Ellen Eichelberger	1903-04
Orinda Appleton	1905

Rebecca Duckwoiy .....	1906
Orinida Appleton .....	1907
Mattie Reagin .....	1908-09
Mary Rankin .....	1910-11
*Lucy Gilbert .....	(transferred)
Ida Carmichael .....	1912-13
*Emma Doke .....	Delegate
Ida Carmichael .....	Alternate

### **GARFIELD CORPS NO. 264, RED OAK.**

**Organized January 4, 1893.**

Lizzie J. Keckley .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

Lizzie Harding .....	1893-94-95
\$Laura Pogue .....	1896-97
\$Mary Dearborn .....	1898-99-1900
Esther Rose .....	1901-02
Isabella Rogers .....	1903-04
‡Amanda Martin .....	1905-06
Theresa Woodard .....	1907
Lizzie Keckley .....	1908-09
Myra Murphy .....	1910
Carrie Wolf .....	1911
*Julia I. Jennings .....	1912-13
Julia I. Jennings .....	Delegate
Lida Soliday .....	Delegate
Maude Pilkington .....	Alternate
Elva Liebel .....	Alternate

### **MARSHALL CORPS NO. 267, REDFIELD.**

**Re-organized June 6, 1911.**

Flora M. Martin .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

Emma P. Bundy .....	1893
Nancy Martin .....	1894-95
Anna Parker .....	1896
Nancy B. Winter .....	1897-98-99
Disbanded .....	
Jessie Lamb .....	1911-12
Flora M. Martin .....	1913
Ora Ober .....	Delegate
Jessie Lamb .....	Alternate

### **A. P. HOVEY CORPS NO. 269, MONMOUTH.**

**Organized August 28, 1893.**

Martha J. Bristol .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

§Mary E. Scott .....	1893
‡Nettie Potter .....	1894-95-96
Frances Cook .....	1897-98
‡Nettie Potter .....	1899
‡Frances Cook .....	1900
‡Nettie Potter .....	1901-02
Hattie Bristol .....	1903
‡Frances Cook .....	1904-05
§Eliza Perry .....	1906
‡Frances Cook .....	1907
‡Mary E. Ripley .....	1908
Anna Belcher .....	1909
Hattie Bristol .....	1910-11
Alta D. Heath .....	1912
Martha J. Bristol .....	1913
Martha Bristol .....	Delegate
Alta Heath .....	Alternate

**JAMES WELCH CORPS NO. 270, ORIENT.****Re-organized January 30, 1914.**

Emma D. Treichler .....	President
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**KENYON CORPS NO. 271, SANBORN.****Organized November 2, 1893.**

Josephine Hoffman .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

§Mattie Owen .....	1893
§Mary Hamilton .....	1894
Lenna Coleman Leaming (transferred to Dept. Montana).....	1895
Louisa Johnson .....	1896
§Mary Kerberg .....	1897
§Maggie Eldredge .....	1898
§Mary Correll .....	1899
Mary Coleman (transferred to South Dakota).....	1900
Mary Kings .....	1901
§Kate Gibbs .....	1902
‡Mamie Merwin .....	1903
Hattie Vanderlip .....	1904
Lucelia Melvin .....	1905-06
Martha Willcox (transferred to Oregon) .....	1907-08
Martha Kissler .....	1909-10
Jessie Johnston .....	1911
Dora Flint .....	1912
Emma Wright .....	1913
Jessie Johnston .....	Delegate
Minnie Hoffman .....	Alternate

**WINTHROP CORPS NO. 276, WINTHROP.****Organized February 5, 1894.**

Lora Fernald .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Rebecca Bucher .....1894-95  
 Mary E. Eddy .....1896  
 Lora Fernald .....1897-98  
 Rebecca Bucher .....1899-1900-01-02-03-04-05  
 Dora Hovey .....1906  
 Rebecca Bucher .....1907  
 Susan Moore .....1908  
 ‡Alice Gillett .....1909  
 Dora Hovey .....1910  
 Laura G. Eddy .....1911  
 Rebecca Bucher .....1912-13  
 Eva Schemerhorn .....Delegate  
 Esther Umbehann .....Alternate

**HENRY WALTON CORPS NO. 277, GARDEN GROVE.****Organized February 6, 1894.**

Julia Thomas .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Lura Sullivan .....1894-95  
 ‡Hattie Webster .....1896  
 ‡Eliza Jordan .....1897-98  
 Kate Macey .....1899-1900  
 Lizzie Brown .....1901-02-03  
 Julia Thomas .....1904-05-06-07-08  
 Elizabeth Aten .....1909  
 Julia Thomas .....1910-11-12-13  
 Julia Thomas .....Delegate  
 L. May Waters .....Alternate

**NEWELL CORPS NO. 278, NEWELL.****Organized February 10, 1894.**

Nora D. Williams .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Maggie Doxsee (transfered to No. 161) .....1894  
 ‡Ada L. Davie .....1895-96-97  
 ‡Lucy Ellis .....1898-99  
 ‡Ida Davie .....1900-01  
 Nora D. Williams .....1902  
 Corrine P. Davie .....1903-04  
 Lottie Robinson .....1905  
 Ida Cunningham .....1906

Corrine P. Davie .....	1907
Ida Davie .....	1908
Martha Conklin .....	1909
Nora D. Williams .....	1910-11-12-13
Nora Williams .....	Delegate
Ida Cunningham .....	Alternate

### P. M. CODER CORPS NO. 279, VINTON.

Organized February 13, 1895.

Linda Correll .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

‡Mary Palmer .....	1894-95
§Eliza Edmunds .....	1896
‡Sarah Bloodgood .....	1897
Ellen Markham .....	1898
§Jennie Bauman .....	1899
§Emma Chesner .....	1900
‡Sadie Evan .....	1901-02
§Angie Covert .....	1903-04
Susan Crow .....	1905-06
Cora Kellogg .....	1907
Adeline Bail .....	1908
Susan Brewer .....	1909
Sarah Beresford .....	1910
Neva White .....	1911
Mary Forrester .....	1912
Linda Correll .....	1913
Emeline Thompson .....	Delegate
Adaline Ball .....	Alternate

### GRIFFITH CORPS NO. 281, OELWEIN.

Organized February 21, 1894.

*Emma D. Sayles .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Clara A. White .....	1894-95
‡Alice Pattison .....	1896
Susan McGuire .....	1897-98
Jennie Cammack .....	1899
Susan McGuire .....	1900
Hattie Fish .....	1901-02
Emma D. Sayles .....	1903
Hattie Fish .....	1904
*Susan McGuire .....	1905
Jennie Cammack .....	1906
Eva Mead .....	1907-08
Ida Dewey (transferred to Wisconsin) .....	1909-10
*Susan McGuire .....	1911-12-13
Susan McGuire .....	Delegate
Sarah Tiffany .....	Alternate



**FULLER CORPS NO. 283, LOGAN.****Organized March 13, 1894.**

Cornelia McGrew .....President

**Past Presidents.**

‡Margaret M. Stewart .....1894-95  
 §Mary A. Milliman .....1896  
 Emma Edwards (transferred to Dept. Idaho).....1897  
 Elizabeth Aiston .....1898  
 Margaret M. Stewart .....1899  
 Mary E. Helm (transferred to Dept. California).....1900  
 Harriet Creager .....1901  
 ‡Sarah Baker .....1902  
 Lydia Brayton .....1903  
 Emma Huntley .....1904  
 Emma Edwards (transferred) .....1905  
 Alice M. Davis .....1906-07  
 Miranda Penrod .....1908  
 Alice M. Davis .....1909-10  
 Etta Holdridge .....1911  
 Pauline S. Cartnell .....(transferred from No. 293)  
 Annie Pratt .....1912  
 Cornelia McGrew .....1913  
 \*Nora Lusk .....Delegate  
 Alice M. Davis .....Alternate

**PHIL KEARNEY CORPS NO. 286, OSKALOOSA.****Organized April 14, 1894.**

\*Lulu C. White .....President

**Past Presidents.**

‡Zerilla Worth .....1894  
 Louisa A. Rice .....1895  
 Jane Jackson (transferred to Dept. Ohio) .....1896  
 \*Mattie Hedden .....1897  
 §Columbia Ellis .....1898  
 \*Adelaide C. Bass .....1899  
 Martha Black .....1900  
 \*Ida Wortman .....1901-02-03  
 §Harriet M. Cruzen .....1904  
 Ida Wortman .....1905  
 \*Flora E. Pond .....1906-07  
 ‡Clara A. Hamilton .....1908  
 \*Anna E. Pearson .....1909  
 Lulu C. White .....1910  
 \*Mary A. Airy .....1911  
 Lue L. Flewwelling .....1912  
 Lydia Broyles .....1913  
 \*Ida Wortman .....Delegate  
 Mattie S. Hedden .....Alternate

**ANNETTE CORPS NO. 287, SPENCER.****Organized April 18, 1894.**

Chloe M. Round .....President

**Past Presidents.**

‡Helen A. McQueen .....	1894-95
§Etta Dye .....	1896
Julia A. McConnell .....	1897
Grace Goodall .....	1898
§Mary Stokes .....	1899
Jennie Yates .....	1900-01
§Lucy Painter .....	1902
Lillie Patterson .....	1903
Jennie Bender .....	1904-05
Grace N. Goodall .....	1906
‡Ada Stephenson .....	1907
Jennie Bender .....	1908-09-10
Jennie Yates .....	1911-12
Chloe M. Round .....	1913
Sophie Doty .....	Delegate
*Sarah Griggs .....	Alternate

**A. W. YOUNG CORPS NO. 289, RICEVILLE.****Organized June 9, 1894.**

Barbara Shrode .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Laura Smith .....	1894-95
Fidelia Hocum .....	1896-97-98
Laura Smith .....	1899
Fidelia Hocum .....	1900
Emma Nicholson .....	1901-02
Addie E. St. John .....	1903-04-05-06-07
Arminda C. Drew .....	1908-09
Barabara Shrode .....	1910-11-12
.....	Delegate
.....	Alternate

**BEDSAUL CORPS NO. 293, MAGNOLIA.****Organized October 13, 1894.**

Annie Kilts .....President

**Past Presidents.**

§Mary J. Weed .....	1894
Cornelia Oviatt .....	1895-96
§Esther A. Clark .....	1897
Pauline S. Cartnell (transferred to No. 283) .....	1898
Jeanette Mills .....	1899

Anna Patterson .....	1900-01
Esther A. Clark .....	1902
Bessie E. Dewell .....	1903
Anna Patterson .....	1904-05
May Spires .....	1906
Dora Murphy .....	1907-08
Anna Patterson .....	1909
Edna Murphy .....	1910
Bertha Leach .....	1911
Anna Patterson .....	1912
Effie Brown .....	1913
.....	Delegate
.....	Alternate

### **E. H. KEYES CORPS NO. 294, MINGO.**

**Organized October 16, 1894.**

Mary Westfall .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

Nancy J. Clark .....	1894-95
\$Clara Watt .....	1896-97
‡Jennie Westfall .....	1898-99
Mary Soloman (transferred to No. 120) .....	1900
Burtress M. Baker .....	1901-02
Jennie Knostman .....	1903
Nancy Clark .....	1904
Georgia Rose .....	1905-06-07
Mary Westfall .....	1908-09-10-11
Burtress M. Baker .....	1912
Mary Westfall .....	1913
Katie Poobaugh .....	Delegate
Allie Adams .....	Alterrate

### **H. J. SIMPSON CORPS NO. 295, LAKE VIEW AND WALL LAKE.**

**Organized December 7, 1894.**

Etta J. Wilson .....	President
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#### **Past Presidents.**

Mary Dano .....	1894-95
Della Seitz .....	1896-97
Etta Wilson .....	1898
Della Seitz (transferred to No. 201) .....	1899
Etta Wilson .....	1900-01
H. Amanda Peck .....	1902
Etta Wilson .....	1903-04
Ethel B. Hayden .....	1905
Nellie Morgenson .....	1906
Clara Stambaugh .....	1907-08
Etta J. Wilson .....	1909-10
Hattie Tiffany .....	1911

Alice S. Peters .....	1912
Jennie H. Porter .....	1913
Mrs. H. A. Peck .....	Delegate
Etta J. Wilson .....	Alternate

### RANDALL CORPS NO. 297, NORTHWOOD.

Organized November 8, 1894.

Almeda Randall .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Dinah Bolton .....	1894-95-96
Gertrude Merrill .....	1897-98
§Mable Hamilton .....	1899-1900
‡Lydia Beach .....	1901-02
‡Betsie Cole .....	1903
Jean Sawin .....	1904
Ella Pixley .....	1905-06
Dinah Bolton .....	1907
Anna M. Scofield .....	1908-09-10
Ella Pixley .....	1911-12
Clarissa Perkins .....	1913
*Jean R. Sawin .....	Delegate
Jane Perkins .....	Alternate

### LOOKOUT CORPS NO. 299, DUBUQUE.

Re-organized March 11, 1911.

*Thereisa Schetgen .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Sidney L. Smith .....	1894-95-96-97
Josephine Frost (transferred to No. 37) .....	1898-99-1900-01
§Florence Moy .....	1902
Josephine Frost .....	1903-04-05-06-07-08-09-10
Ollie Frazier .....	1911
Theresia Schetgen .....	1912-13
*Martha Morgan .....	Delegate
Alice Hohenadle .....	Alternate

### MULLIGAN CORPS NO. 303, SHEFFIELD.

Organized February 20, 1895.

Anna M. Parker .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Mary C. Vernon .....	1895
§Tillie Bruce .....	1896-97
Minnie Knesel .....	1898
Tillie Bruce .....	1899
Nettie L. Barney .....	1900

Mary J. Minor .....	1901-02
Ella Calahan .....	1903-04
Mary J. Minor .....	1905-06
Carrie A. Selts .....	1907
Mary J. Minor .....	1908-09
Maria M. Perrin .....	1910-11-12
Anna M. Parker .....	1913
Mrs. Chichester .....	Delegate
Mrs. Levitt .....	Alternate

### FRANK A. BRUSH CORPS NO. 307, OSAGE.

Organized March 18, 1895.

Anna B. Rucker .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

Rose Gardner .....	1895
Chloe Frazee .....	1896-97-98
Rose Riley (transferred to No. 121) .....	1899
§Ella Bronson .....	1900
Louise Abernathy (transferred) .....	1901
Chloe Frazee .....	1902
Rose L. Harmon .....	1903
Chloe Frazee .....	1904
Rose Gardner .....	1905-06
Chloe Frazee .....	1907
Angeline Cole .....	1908
Rose L. Harmon .....	1909-10-11-12
Anna B. Rucker .....	1913
*Clara Gardner .....	Delegate
Rose Harmon .....	Alternate

### VANDEBURG CORPS NO. 308, ESTHERVILLE.

Organized April 11, 1895.

Eliza M. Bemis .....	President
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#### Past Presidents.

§Orlie McRae .....	1895-96
Eliza Bemis .....	1897-98
Mary M. Miller .....	1899-1900-01
Amanda Sharp .....	1902
§Orlie McRae .....	1903
Velva Williams (transferred to Minnesota) .....	1904
Eliza M. Bemis .....	1905-06-07-08
§Ruth Sweet .....	1909
Eliza M. Bemis .....	1910-11
Randa Olson .....	1912
Addie Wratten .....	1913
*Mary Littell .....	Delegate
Celia Van Velzer .....	Alternate

**N. P. WRIGHT CORPS NO. 309, GLIDDEN.****Organized April 19, 1895.**

Mary E. Vader .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Mary E. Vader .....1895-96-97-98  
 Nancy A. Short .....1899  
 Mary E. Vader .....1900-01  
 ‡Amelia L. Mereness .....1902  
 Mary E. Vader .....1903-04-05  
 ‡Julietta J. Toyne .....1906-07-08-09  
 Sarah R. Black .....1910  
 Nancy A. Short .....1911  
 Mary E. Vader .....1912-13  
 Lottie A. Leonard .....Delegate  
 Mattie Chandler .....Alternate

**A. KEARNEY CORPS NO. 312, GLENWOOD.****Re-organized October 27, 1900.**

Lucinda Boyer .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Margaret Minner .....1896-97  
 Disbanded .....1898  
 Etta Stranathan .....1900-01  
 Ella Hullinger .....1902-03-04-05-06-07  
 Catherine Rishell .....1908  
 Carrie Van Kirk .....1909  
 Ella Hullinger .....1910-11  
 Lucinda Boyer .....1911-13

**JOHN ALLEN CORPS NO. 314, TABOR.****Organized April 15, 1896.**

Ella Mawhor .....President

**Past Presidents.**

‡Henrietta Sheldon .....1896  
 Margaret Reed .....1897-98  
 Nellie L. Feese .....1899-1900-01  
 ‡Abbie Hanley .....1902  
 Margaret Reed .....1903-04  
 Anna Bell .....1905  
 Margaret Reed .....1906  
 ‡Minnie Munsinger .....1907-08  
 \*Abbie Hanley .....1909-10  
 Nellie Feese .....1911-12  
 Mary Harris .....1913  
 Mary Harris .....Delegate  
 Nellie Feese .....Alternate

**J. D. CRAVEN CORPS NO. 322, MACKSBURG.****Organized April 2, 1898.**

Julia Pindell .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Sue Conway (transferred to Dept. California).....1898-99-1900-01  
 Lillian Beech (transferred to No. 17).....1902  
 Sue W. Conway .....1903  
 Julia Pindell .....1904-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13  
 Ida Smith .....Delegate  
 Vera V. Pinckney .....Alternate

**ROBERT HENDERSON CORPS NO. 323, BAYARD.****Organized May 27, 1898.**

Eva Smith .....President

**Past Presidents.**

‡A. Grace McDonald .....1898  
 Mary Garnes .....1899  
 Libbie Russell .....1900  
 M. Frances Hull .....1901-02  
 Mary Griffith .....1903-04  
 §Nellie Horine Garnes .....1905  
 M. Frances Hull .....1906  
 Mary Griffith .....1907  
 §Alice Mostellu .....1908  
 §Lizzie Corrigan .....1909  
 Mary Garnes .....1910  
 Mary Frances Hull .....1911-12-13  
 \*May Smith .....Delegate  
 Ruth Russel .....Alternate

**RANSOM CORPS NO. 324, FARRAGUT.****Organized April 11, 1899.**

Eliza Chambers .....President

**Past Presidents.**

Eliza Campbell .....1899-1900-01  
 Eliza Chambers .....1902-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13  
 Sarah Thomas .....Delegate  
 Mary Jones .....Alternate

**MANSFIELD CORPS NO. 325, HAWARDEN.****Organized May 6, 1899.**

Millie Garrett .....President

**Past Presidents.**

\$Susie McUmber .....	1899-1900
Kate Burns .....	1901-02
Wealtha Meyers .....	1903
Eliza Mitchell .....	1904-05
Kate Burns .....	1906
‡Ella Kennedy .....	1907
Eliza Mitchell .....	1908
Blanche Wheeler .....	1909
Kate Burns .....	1910
Eliza M. Mitchell .....	1911-12
Kate Burns .....	1913
Kathryn Simmons .....	Delegate
May Angle .....	Alternate

**J. M. TUTTLE CORPS NO. 327, SOUTH OTTUMWA.****Organized September 27, 1899.**

Mary Berkey .....	President
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**Past Presidents.**

Jane Holt (transferred to California) .....	1899-900
Mary Olney .....	1901
‡Mary Vinson .....	1902
Almira Riggs (transferred to No. 9) .....	1903
Lou Thompson .....	1904-05
‡Lonella Finley .....	1906
‡Clementine Harber .....	1907
Mary Olney .....	1908
Irene Barme .....	1909
Della Hoyland .....	1910
Mary Olney .....	1911
Virginia B. Schenck .....	1912
Ella Martz .....	1913
*Irene Bahme .....	Delegate
Sarah Samulson .....	Alternate

**CAPT. ALEX DOWD CORPS NO. 329, DAYTON.****Organized December 16, 1899**

Allie Umsted .....	President
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**Past Presidents**

‡Lina Daniels .....	1899-1900
Almira LeValley .....	1901
Julia Lundblad .....	1902
Harriet Tiffany (transferred to No. 225) .....	1903
Nellie G. Schill .....	1904-05
Martha Nettles .....	1906-07
Allie Umsted .....	1908-09-10
Mary Shold .....	1911-12
Martha A. Nettles .....	1913



Elizabeth Schill.....	Delegate
Amelia Berg.....	Alternate

### HENRY JAQUIS CORPS NO. 330, CINCINNATI

Organized January 27, 1900

Mary Holbrook.....	President
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#### Past Presidents

Angie Wycoff (transferred to No. 32).....	1900
Eliza Mitchell.....	1901-02
Alice McDonald.....	1903
Ada Bowie.....	1904-05
Lou Glasser.....	1906
Sarah John.....	1907
Mary Fowler.....	1908
Mary Erwin.....	1909
Alice McDonald.....	1910-11
Eliza Mitchell.....	1912
Alice Sturdivant.....	1913
Mary C. Holbrook.....	Delegate
Alice McDonald.....	Alternate

### COL. MILLS CORPS NO. 332, ADEL

Organized May 9, 1901

Jennie Snyder.....	President
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#### Past Presidents

Jennie Snyder.....	1901-02
Ellen Vial.....	1903
Jennie Snyder.....	1904-05-06-07-08
Hattie College.....	1909-10
Myrtle Ross.....	1911-12
Jennie Snyder.....	1913
Ella Harris.....	Delegate
Adaline Forester.....	Alternate

### G. W. NELSON CORPS NO. 334, HAZLETON

Organized August 9, 1901

Ines Kiefer.....	President
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#### Past Presidents

Ines Kiefer.....	1901-02-03-04-05-06-07
Emma Bowers.....	1908-09
Ines Kiefer.....	1910-11-12-13
Kate McCurdy.....	Delegate
Ella Cappel.....	Delegate
Alta Wells.....	Alternate
Gertie Swartzell.....	Alternate

**S. S. DILLMAN CORPS NO. 335, TOLEDO.****Organized August 20, 1902**

\*Olive MacDonald.....President

**Past Presidents**

Anna E. Irons.....	1902-03-04-05
‡Jennie Wescott.....	1906-07
‡Louisa Graham.....	1908
Jennie Muckler.....	1909
Ida E. Boynton.....	1910
Millie Sidwell.....	1911
Mary Studbaker.....	(transferred from No. 69)
Anna E. Malin.....	1912
Mary A. Morgan.....	1913
Olive McDonald.....	Delegate
Inez Gallagher.....	Alternate

**O. S. FOWLER CORPS NO. 336, LAMONT****Organized August 28, 1902**

Addie Snodgrass.....President

**Past Presidents**

§Hattie Truair.....	1902
‡Kate Fowler.....	1903
Mary Hewitt.....	1904-05
Mary May.....	1906
Mary Hewitt.....	1907-08-09
Mattie Ticknor.....	1910
Mary Hewitt.....	1911
Josephine Hesner.....	1912
Addie Snodgrass.....	1913
Mary Hewitt.....	Delegate
*Mattie Ticknor.....	Alternate

**J. FILMER CORPS, NO. 337, MADRID****Organized October 2, 1902**

Roxanna Stover.....President

**Past Presidents**

‡Carrie Graves.....	1902-03
Esther Doran.....	1904
Adda Van Zandt.....	1905-06
‡Elizabeth Simmons.....	1907
‡Mary Helms.....	1908
Roxana Stover.....	1909
Jennie Lamb.....	1910
Margaret Stover.....	1911
Jennie Lamb.....	1912

Jennie L. Franks.....	1913
Jennie Lamb.....	Delegate
Mary Frey.....	Alternate

**WM. McKINLEY CORPS NO. 338, KALONA****Organized December 10, 1902**

Vinnie Bridenstine.....	President
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**Past Presidents**

Melissa Rawson.....	1903
Mary Dawson.....	1904
Nettie Rogers.....	1905-06-07
Ella Hochstetler.....	1908
§Margarette Arnold.....	1909
Jessye E. Mellinger .....	1910-11-12
Vinnie Bridenstine .....	1913
Amelia McHaffy.....	Delegate
Edith Fry.....	Alternate

**PETER VAN NORMAN CORPS, NO. 339, MOVILLE****Organized December 27, 1902**

Marie Dills.....	President
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**Past Presidents**

§Alice Phillips.....	1902-03-04-05-06
Alice McElrath.....	1907-08
Evelyn Parks.....	1909-10
§Alice Phillips.....	1911
Florence Larkin.....	1912-13
*Rose Eldrige.....	Delegate
Florence Larkin.....	Alternate

**JONATHAN ROBY CORPS NO. 341, TRURO****Organized October 31, 1903**

Harriett Scott.....	President
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**Past Presidents**

Ida Creger.....	1903-04
§Emily V. Reed.....	1905
Maggie Taylor.....	1906
Melinda Bradley.....	1907
Ella Purvis.....	1908
Nannie Hayden.....	1909-10-11
Melinda Bradley.....	1912
Harriett Scott.....	1913
Harriett L. Scott.....	Delegate
Maud Archer.....	Alternate

**SAMUEL IRWIN CORPS, NO. 344, NEW VIRGINIA****Organized July 13, 1904.**

Grace Leachman.....President

**Past Presidents.**

Mamie Sayre (transferred to No. 154).....1904-05  
 Elsie Fee.....1906  
 Lizzie Coltrane.....1907  
 Alpha Frederick.....1908-09  
 Mattie Freeborn (transferred to No. 104).....1910  
 Lillian Woods.....1911-12-13  
 Grace Leachman.....Delegate  
 Clara Irwin.....Alternate

**RICHMOND CORPS NO. 347, DALLAS CENTER****Organized March 23, 1906**

Mrs. Brenton.....President

**Past Presidents.**

Esther Lloyd.....1906-07  
 Addie Rhinehart.....1908  
 Katie Kirk.....1909  
 Jennie Gates.....1910  
 Nina Lewis.....1911  
 Addie Rhinehart.....1912  
 Minnie Miller.....1913

**D. B. HENDERSON CORPS NO. 348, MINBURN****Organized September 7, 1907**

Dora Oneal.....President

**Past Presidents**

Stella Luellen.....1907-08  
 Agnes Muck (transferred to Dept. Minnesota).....1909  
 Mina Schafer.....1910-11-12  
 Emma Clark.....1913

**JAMES MILLER CORPS NO. 349 MARATHON****Organized March 31, 1908**

Clara Hartshorn.....President

**Past Presidents**

Cora Allison.....1908  
 May Welch.....1909-10-11-12-13

**FAIRBANK CORPS NO. 351, FAIRBANK****Organized January 9, 1909**

Arminta Coffin.....President

**Past Presidents**

Ellen Leehey.....1909

Nellie King.....1910-11

Ellen Nichols.....1912

Nellie A. King.....1913

\*Nellie Fitzgerald.....Delegate

Nina Westgate.....Alternate

**CUSTER CORPS NO. 353, CHEROKEE****Organized June 18, 1910**

Mrs. T. F. Shannon.....President

**Past Presidents.**

Julia Hiscox.....1910-11

Sarah E. Sanger.....1912

Emma A. Russell.....1913

\*Jane Webber.....Delegate

Mrs. T. F. Shannon.....Alternate

**TODD CORPS NO. 355, COLUMBUS JUNCTION****Organized April 19, 1911**

Bina Brown.....President

**Past Presidents.**

Margaret McKee.....1911-12

Bina Brown.....1913

\*Edith Balcoff.....Delegate

Ellen McFarland.....Alternate

**GEX. SHERIDAN NO. 356, MARSHALLTOWN****Organized October 24, 1913**

\*Emma Gould.....President

**Past Presidents.**

Jennie Benson.....(transferred from No. 9)

Emma Gould.....(transferred from Idaho)

Janette Todd.....(transferred from Calif. and Nevada)

\*Jane Powers.....Delegate

Mary Wiley.....Alternate

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Department of Iowa

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**Auxiliary to the**  
**Grand Army of the Republic**  
**Wednesday Morning Session**

The Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps was called to order in open session by Department President Mattie E. Witter, in the Presbyterian Church, corner of Washington and Fifth Streets, Burlington, Iowa, at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, June 16th, 1914.

Department President: Ladies, we have assembled in the first session of the Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. I extend to you all a most cordial welcome. I hope that with your assistance we may have a good convention, and that much may be accomplished for the good of our order. We will change our order of business, as the pastor of this church must leave in a few minutes. I will ask the Department Patriotic Instructor to present the flag to the church at this time.

Corps Patriotic Instructors will come to the platform to assist in the presentation. The pastor of the church, Rev. Cardal, was escorted to platform with the colors and presented to the convention and given the salute.

Department Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack: Rev. Cardal, on behalf of the Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, we have the honor to present to the church where our meetings are held in convention, this flag. We are delighted to do this. We feel the flag has a place in the Church of God. Our work in the Woman's Relief Corps is getting to be more and more on patriotic lines. We have cared for the old soldiers and now we are taking up more of this work. When the old soldiers are no longer with us and we do not have the inspiration of their presence, we will have even more need of this sort of work, and it is becoming a large part of our duties. We are delighted to present to your church this flag. (Applause.)

Rev. Cardal: Ladies of the Relief Corps, I want to thank you very sincerely for this gracious and beautiful act and for the beautiful flag you have presented. I am very deeply interested in your work. I know you stand for a larger spirit of patriotism throughout our country. I live just across the street from a school, and it is their custom on opening to gather the children about the flag staff, and when the flag is raised, each child pointing to the flag, says something like this: "One people, one nation, one flag." (Laughter.) (Department Patriotic Instructor: We see you do not belong to the Woman's Relief Corps.) It is a beautiful ceremony to my mind. It reminds me of Harriet Beecher Stowe. One evening her son found her at her devotions with her new testament in one hand, and in the other she grasped the flag. He inquired of her, "Why, mother, what are you doing?" She said, "I am trying to bear the burdens placed upon me and when I grasp this tangible, visible emblem of what my Savior is to me, and this tangible, visible emblem of what my country stands for to me, I get strength to endure all trials that beset me." That is just it. The flag is the visible, tangible emblem of freedom, liberty, righteousness, to our people and to all the world. I thank God for the American flag. And I thank you for this gracious and beautiful presentation of the flag to this church. (Applause.) (Pastor escorted from room with the colors, convention standing and singing "Star Spangled Banner.")

Department President: Our Department Chaplain, Nancy Clapp, is ill and will not be here today, and that we may do our work well, I will ask Past Department Chaplain Margaret Hinman to ask the Divine blessing of our Great Commander, on this meeting.

Margaret Hinman, No. 148: Our dear Heavenly Father, we come to Thee on this beautiful Eden-like day at the beginning of the convention, thanking Thee for storm and sunshine, and for rain; for life and health Thou hast sent to us during the year. And now we thank Thee that we are here in this church edifice ready for the work Thou hast given to our hands. Be with us in each session, be our present strength; may each be able to do the work as will meet with Thine approval. Some are not able to meet with us; be Thou with them in their homes. May all that assemble in this city have their lives precious in Thy sight. Be with the comrades that they may not be tempted over and above what they are able to stand, and may all our work be indeed good in Thy sight, and when the day's work is ended, give us Thy peace. This we ask for Christ's sake, amen.

Convention sang opening ode.

Department President: Color Bearers, attention! Convention repeat the flag salute.

Convention: I pledge my allegiance to God and my country, one country, one language, one flag.

Department President: Secretary, you will call the roll of officers.

Department Secretary, Alice Cooper, No. 180, called the roll of Department Officers. All answered to roll call except Department Chaplain, and 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Members of the Executive Board.

### **PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.**

Department President: The Department Officers will please assemble in the rear of the room. Color Bearers, attention! Conductors

retire to the rear of the room and escort the Department Officers to the platform. The Department Officers were duly escorted.

Department President: Convention, these are the officers who have served you this year. First, the Senior Vice-President, Fannie E. Wardan; the Junior Vice-President, Mary A. Tuttle; Secretary Alice Cooper; Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd; Inspector, Carrie I. Nettcott; Counselor, Sarah A. Fox; Instituting and Installing Officer, Elsie B. Wade; Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack; Editress and Press Correspondent, Anna M. Kistner; Chief of Staff, Addie E. Unangst; Chairman of Executive Board, Mary E. Snyder. Ladies, these officers have all worked throughout the year faithfully and well. I would ask the convention to salute these officers. (Applause.)

### PRESENTATION OF SONS OF VETERANS.

A committee from the Sons of Veterans was announced.

Department President: Color Bearers, attention! Conductors, you will escort the Sons of Veterans to the platform.

Department Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack: I have thought of this time with great pleasure, but I had hoped to be sent to your meeting to make the presentation. However, I am happy at this time to present this large parade flag with staff in the name of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps to the Sons of Veterans.

W. S. Leach of What Cheer, Iowa, responded as follows: Ladies of the Relief Corps, I want to express the deep appreciation of the Iowa Division of Sons of Veterans for this beautiful flag. We shall be proud to carry it in our parades. Ladies, I thank you.

Department President: Ladies, I am sure we are very glad for the Sons of Veterans to have this flag, and I want you to salute them. The President gave the gavel taps and convention arose and the salute was given, and the delegation escorted to their seats.

Division Secretary G. F. Taylor had just arrived a little late and was escorted to platform and introduced.

Department President: Ladies, I have the pleasure of introducing the Division Secretary of the Sons of Veterans, G. F. Taylor of Cedar Rapids, who will speak to us.

G. F. Taylor: Mrs. President and Ladies, I presume I owe this assembly an apology, but the fact is, I did not know anything about this; and in the first place, only about five minutes ago was I informed what was going to happen; and in the second place, it is the duty of the Commander to act on such occasions as the present one. Now, I am not in the habit of making speeches—my wife does most of the talking at home, and when I do make a speech she writes it and I read it, and you see I am not prepared.

However, I must say the Sons of Veterans, Division of Iowa, are under a deep debt of gratitude to your organization, and if we can pay this debt in any way we will be glad to do so. I cannot say more and realize that what I have said is wholly inadequate to the situation. I thank you, ladies. (Applause.)

Secretary Taylor was presented with the badge of our convention and escorted to a seat in the audience.



**PRESENTATION OF PAST DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.**

Eleven Past Department Presidents assembled in the rear of the room.

Department President: Color Bearers, attention! Conductors, you will escort these officers to the platform.

Department President: Ladies of the convention, I do feel very small when I stand in the presence of these ladies who have brought this department to the standard it has today. I feel like it would be better for me not to be with them. I will introduce them to you. First, Georgia Wade McClellan, who is also our army nurse. (Applause.) Christine Snyder Romans, I know you will be glad to greet her. (Applause.) Mira L. Parker, who has not been in our Department Convention for a long time. (Applause.) Jennie Iowa Berry, I do not need to say anything to you about her. (Applause.) Frederica Philpot, one of our good workers. (Applause.) Addie E. Unangst, who served you faithfully and has served me this year. (Applause.) Estella E. Plopper, we could not get along without her. (Applause.) Lena T. Ring, one of our best presidents. (Applause.) Marie L. Basham, who did her work well. (Applause.) Ray M. Hanchett, and Sarah A. Fox, our later presidents, whom you all know. (Applause.) Convention, salute these noble women.

Past Department Secretaries and Treasurers then assembled in the rear of the room and were escorted to the platform.

Department President: Here are the ladies who have kept the records and the funds of our Department. Georgia Wade McClellan, Past Department Secretary; Augusta L. Cozier, Past Department Treasurer; Mira L. Parker, also a Treasurer. Estella E. Plopper, who also cared for the funds. Kate Hanchett, who as Treasurer, ranks prior to both Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Plopper, but as Secretary her year was later. Emma J. Gould, who belongs to us now, but was transferred to us from Idaho. She was their Secretary. Clara A. Carpenter, Lydia W. Nott, Alvena Markle and Sue Stanwood, all Secretaries; and Mira O. McFarland, our Past Department Treasurer, who needs no introduction. Convention, salute the old workers. We owe them much. (Applause.)

Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56: Mrs. President, it has been my custom for several years to present to the out-going President a gavel, and I take pleasure at this time in presenting to you this one. It is made of wood taken from the historic battlefield of Gettysburg, and has imbedded in it a bullet that was shot into this wood during that great battle. It is with pleasure I give you it.

Department President: Georgia Wade, I thank you for this reminder of that great conflict. It reminds me, too, that I am out-going, and of course I feel happy to know my work will soon be over. I thank you for this gift. I am sure I will always prize this gavel as coming from our dear Georgia Wade McClellan, and reminding me of Gettysburg and the memories of Jennie Wade, for whom we erected a monument and send each year a flag to wave above her grave. Georgia Wade, I thank you.

Motion by Margaret Hinman, No. 148, seconded by Fannie E. Warden, No. 62, that we adjourn until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock. Carried, and Department President, after requesting Guards to be at all doors in the morning to take the password, declared the meeting adjourned.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.**

Wednesday morning session was called to order by Department President Mattie E. Witter, who said: The hour of 9:00, the time for us to begin our work, has arrived. Our convention chaplain will ask Our Father's blessing on our meeting.

Margaret Hinman, No. 148: Our kind Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the night's rest that we have enjoyed, for the beautiful sunshine and for our meeting here in this church. Go with us this day. Yesterday's blessing will not suffice. Be with our dear president, keep her head clear, her hands steady, and her heart true. Be with each home here represented. May they all be under Thy especial care this day, and at the beginning of this meeting may we all join in the prayer Thou hast taught us to say: Our Father Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, in earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever, amen.

Convention sang one verse of opening ode.

Department President: Color Bearers, attention! Convention, repeat the flag salute. Convention: I pledge my allegiance to God and my country, one country, one language, one flag.

Department President: The Secretary will call the roll of officers.

Secretary called the roll of Department Officers and the following responded: President, Mattie E. Witter; Senior Vice-President, Fannie E. Warden; Junior Vice-President, Mary A. Tuttle; Secretary, Alice Cooper; Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd; Inspector, Carrie I. Netcott; Counselor, Sarah A. Fox; Instituting and Installing Officer, Elsie B. Wade; Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack; Editress and Press Correspondent, Anna M. Kistner; Chief of Staff, Addie E. Unangst; Chairman of the Executive Board, Mary E. Snyder.

Department President: We will now resume the order of business where we left off last evening. Next will be the presentation of Past Department Chaplains.

**PRESENTATION OF PAST DEPARTMENT CHAPLAINS.**

Past Department Chaplains assembled in rear of room and were escorted to platform with the colors.

Department President: Ladies of the convention, I have the pleasure of presenting to you Past Department Chaplain Margaret Hinman. She needs no introduction to you. Mary E. Snyder, whom we all love. Convention, salute these dear women. (Applause.)

Mayor Cross of the city of Burlington was announced in waiting and escorted by the Chief of Staff and Color Bearers to the platform and presented.

Department President: Convention, I have the pleasure of introducing to you Mr. W. C. Cross, the mayor of the city of Burlington. Convention, salute.

Mayor Cross: Ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, as mayor of the city of Burlington I extend to you a cordial and hearty welcome.

I might enlarge on this, but I am not given to platitudes. My position as mayor of a convention city affords me the opportunity of welcoming many, but I assure none have been more welcome than our guests of this week. We ask you to believe our welcome is deep and honest and heartfelt. We welcome you to the best we have. We are a city of hills, of churches, of school houses, of beautiful parks, of homely men and lovely women and bouncing babies. We welcome you to a city of clubs, a city of societies, a city of good neighbors, a city of good citizens, and we are glad to have you here; we feel proud to entertain the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief corps. I had the pleasure last evening of listening to your National President and was pleased to learn of the work you have done. She said you have paid out over four millions of dollars for the benefit and assistance of the old soldiers. This is truly a great work. There are many societies in existence, but none of them stands so high in our esteem and love and honor as the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Woman's Relief Corps as auxiliary to that body carries with it the same regard we feel for them. (Applause.)

When God made the world he made man; or at least he made part of man; and after witnessing his handiwork, he made the other and better half of man and made woman. (Applause.) After giving Adam and his helpmate proper instructions he started them in the Garden of Eden. Adam, as is common for man, when called upon to give an account of his sin, hid behind the woman, and we are doing the same today and are hiding behind their skirts.

It is rather embarrassing to speak before such a beautiful and intelligent body of ladies as I see before me at this time. As I sat before the audience last night I thought it was a beautiful sight, and as the Governor said, it was an inspiring audience with the Grand Army of the Republic and so many beautiful ladies.

We trust that your meeting will be harmonious and profitable to you and that your stay in our city will be pleasant, and when you return to your homes that you will not take any of our citizens with you, but that as many of you as wish will stay with us. (Applause.)

Estella E. Plopper, No. 48: Mr. Mayor, I do not know why our President should expect or ask one woman to speak for all, when we know the ability of each of them to speak for herself. But since it would consume too much time, I will voice to you what I know is their thought. We are truly appreciative of the welcome Burlington extends to the auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, the greatest body of men of any known generation, whose sacrifices and sufferings have given them the foremost place in history as patriots. We appreciate your decorations. We believe your greeting is heartfelt. Those of us who heard the tribute you paid the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps last night knew it came from your heart. Today we are glad to know the city of Burlington takes cognizance of us in your city. We women stand for everything good and uplifting in state and home. Our colors are red, white and blue, the colors of the flag made clean and clear from all stain by the blood of three hundred thousand men, and two hundred thousand cripples.

Mr. Mayor, on the part of the Woman's Relief Corps, I thank you for your presence here and for your greeting. (Applause.)

Mayor Cross was presented with the badge of the convention and escorted from the room with the colors.

### PRESENTATION OF ARMY NURSES.

Only one army nurse was present and she was escorted to the platform amid continued applause.

Department President: Georgia Wade McClellan needs no introduction. Convention, salute this dear woman.

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### PRESENTATION OF LOCAL ARRANGEMENT COMMITTEE.

The ladies of the General Local Committee were announced in waiting and escorted to the platform with colors, and presented.

Department President: Ladies of the convention, these are the ladies who have worked so hard preparing for your coming. The local corps President, Emma Behrens; Emma J. Carson, who has written a letter about every day; Della Allender, the chairman of the Entertainment Committee, and Fannie E. Warden, our Department Senior Vice-President. Convention, salute these ladies.

Emma Behrens, No. 62: Mrs. President, Officers, Delegates, and members of the Thirty-first Annual Department Convention of Iowa. We have with us today from all over our fair and beautiful state of Iowa, representatives of over twelve thousand loyal, earnest women, devoted to the principles of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, that noble trio, on whose broad foundation stands the Grand Army of the Republic, and as their auxiliary and co-workers, we welcome you with patriotic and sisterly love to our city, our hearts and our homes, and hope that our meeting in Burlington will be harmonious, instructive and pleasant. It was here that several of Iowa's best and most noted soldiers lived. C. L. Matthies, for whom our Post and Corps are named, was the first man in Iowa to officially offer his services to his country. And General Corse, the hero of Altoona, lived, enlisted and is buried here. Our organization specially delights in honoring the survivors of the sixties. During that thrilling time many of our number, as wives, mothers, sisters and daughters, had a woman's part to endure in the sacrifices and sufferings, anxieties and hardships, until the victories resulted in a re-united country, freedom and peace.

"There was never a shot that screamed and fell,

And never a bayonet thrust, went through

The dauntless breast of a soldier boy,

But pierced the heart of a woman, too."

We trust our meeting will be an inspiration to renewed efforts in the cause for which we are banded together, to give aid and comfort to the needy veteran and his dependent ones, and inspire the youth with patriotism. Another of our privileges and obligations is the sacred observance of Memorial day, and our aim and purpose should be to try to prevent its desecration by turning it into a holiday for athletic sports and contests, for

"The little green tent is a thing divine,

The little green tent is a country's shrine

Where patriots kneel and pray;

And the brave men left, so old, so few,

Were young and stalwart in sixty-two,

When they went to the war away."

May blessings attend our meeting and our work, and may we always with patriotic love and devotion to our country and our flag, live in accordance with the great and noble principles of our order. Accept again our most cordial welcome.

Department President: Mrs. Behrens, we thank you for this beautiful and gracious welcome. I am unable to find words to express the thanks that are in my heart. I wish I might make a more fitting response to such a splendid address, but we do thank you.

Department President: We will hear the reading of the minutes of the open session.

The minutes of the open session were read by the Convention Secretary, Marie L. Basham, and approved.

Mary E. Snyder, No. 24: I want to say I am so glad we have so many Past Department Officers to present to the convention, but we have a class of women representatives here today I have never seen presented to a convention and I would like to see them presented. They are the soldiers' wives—who were wives during the war. (Applause.)

Department President asked all the ladies who were wives during the war to stand and the colors were sent to escort them to the platform amid much cheering. Fourteen were presented.

Department President: Now, ladies, I do not know hardly what to say, I would like to say so much. Convention, salute these women who know all about those dreadful days. The oldest lady is Rebecca Boyer of Oquawka, Ill. She says she is 93 years of age. The youngest is 68. Color Bearers, escort these ladies to their seats.

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### PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

The National President, Mrs. Ida S. McBride, was announced in waiting.

Department President: Color Bearers, attention! Past National Secretary, Georgia Wade McClellan, you will please retire with Color Bearers and escort the National President to the platform.

Department President: Ladies of the convention, I have the pleasure of presenting to you our National President, Ida S. McBride, of Indianapolis, Ind. Convention, salute our National Officer.

I wish to present to you also at this time our Past National President, Jennie Iowa Berry, and Past National Secretary, Georgia Wade McClellan. Convention, salute.

Mrs. McBride: Mrs. President and ladies of the convention, of the Department of Iowa, from the beginning of my administration I have looked forward to the Iowa convention. I am happy to see you, to look into your faces and to bring you this morning, the greetings of the National. I have visited fourteen conventions this year, and I want to say to you that Iowa is second to none. It may be, some exceed you in number, as the Department of Massachusetts, but you are just as gracious, just as enthusiastic and just as loyal and are doing the work for which we are banded together. We are all just like one great big family working along the same line. I have visited the Dakotas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Illi-

nois, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut. The latter is very exclusive. They do not have their conventions at the same time of the Grand Army of the Republic. In Vermont I had the pleasure of meeting with their convention, and they, like you, are working along the same lines. In New Hampshire I attended their convention and saw our dear Past National President, Fannie E. Minott. Rhode Island has a small convention, but an enthusiastic one. But I want to tell you I am pleased to get to Iowa. I am grateful to all my friends in Iowa who have been so good to me and my visit to Iowa will always remain a bright spot. I have enjoyed this beautiful little city and my visit with the comrades and members of the Worman's Relief Corps and other friends. I thank you for the privilege of being here and speaking to you. (Applause.)

Past National President, Jennie Iowa Berry, was called upon to respond.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: Mrs. National President, I really think that upon so great an occasion as the visit of the National President we should be warned that we are to respond in order that we might do the matter full justice. However, I assure you we are glad to have you with us and have listened to you with very much pleasure and wish to say we feel deeply the honor of your visit to us, and thank you for your kind words.

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### PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL AIDES.

The National Aides present were requested by Department President to come forward and were presented to the National President.

Department President: Mrs. National President, I take great pleasure in presenting to you the National Aides of our department who are present.

Mrs. McBride, National President: Ladies, my National Aides, I am glad to look into your faces and to see this part of my official family. I have a large family of Aides—efficient loyal women in Iowa, and many, many more. I am glad to see you and know you will prove worthy. There are 146 Aides in Iowa, so not all of you are here.

Department President: Convention, salute these National Aides.

The National President was honored with a testimonial from the Iowa Department, but owing to delay in the inscription of the silver tray, the presentation was made later in the parlors of the Burlington Hotel by the Department President.

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### PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENT AIDES.

The Department Aides were requested to assemble in the rear of the room and were escorted to the front by the colors. There were fifty in number and they formed in three lines across the front of the room, and were presented by Senior Aide, Addie E. Unangst.

Department President: Ladies of the Convention, these are my aides, all faithful to the trust reposed in them. Salute these loyal workers.

Senior Aide and Chief of Staff, Addie E. Unangst: My dear Mrs. Witter, when we elected you Department President one year ago, we knew you would make good and you have. (Applause.) We are proud of you, proud of your reputation as a woman and proud of you as another retiring President of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Iowa. In behalf of your officers and these aides, whom you so highly honored by naming them in your official family, I take great pleasure and am proud to present to you this token of remembrance—this beautiful ring. It carries with it the love and esteem of us all, and as long as this diamond retains its brilliancy, we hope you will retain your love for us. Accept this diamond ring as a memento of a beautiful year spent in the cause of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. (Placed ring upon her finger and gave her a kiss.) (Applause.)

Department President: My dear ladies, it is impossible for me to attempt to tell you how much I appreciate this gift. This circle represents to me a love without an end. Imagine what I will have to think of in all the years to come. I do thank you from the very bottom of my heart.

Mrs. Unangst, No. 34: May I now take the opportunity to thank the Aides of the Department of Iowa for their loving kindness to me during the past year. The beautiful thoughts that have come to me in your letters I shall hold in loving memory all my life. We have worked so lovingly together, and I thank you.

Mrs. Unangst, No. 34: Mrs. President, I have a little book here that I made myself. It contains the names of all your Aides who so lovingly contributed to your diamond ring. I prepared it myself and now present it to you.

Department President: I assure you, Mrs. Unangst, I will enjoy this gift and will enjoy looking over these names in years to come. Convention, salute these workers.

Anna Crocker, No. 180: My dear Department President, Abe Lincoln Corps wants to show our appreciation of the fact that two of our members have been chosen to fill Department offices. We realize your work during the year has been most arduous but we believe much has been accomplished and we are proud that the Department President and Department Secretary are ours, and so in the name of No. 180 I take great pleasure in presenting these tokens of our love and appreciation. (Presents silver trays to Department President and Department Secretary.)

Department President: Well, Anna, take back to our Corps my deepest appreciation and heartiest thanks for this expression of love. I cannot say much, but I know you do not expect me to do so. This is a great surprise to me and I shall always remember your kindness to me and your love.

Department Secretary, Alice Cooper, No. 180: I wish to express my pleasure, and not only that, but my thanks and appreciation for this loving favor for myself and our President coming from The Woman's Relief Corps No. 180. It will always carry a measure of loving thoughts which I never shall be able to express. I ask the sister to carry to the Corps our grateful appreciation. Love and esteem of friends is the priceless gift we all cherish. I shall be glad to treasure this as a memento of pleasant associations.

Department President: The Department Secretary will now read the Convention Appointments.

The Convention Appointments were read by Department Secretary Alice Cooper as follows:

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The Department Senior Vice-President was called to the chair and Department President read her address.

Senior Vice-President, Fannie E. Warden: Ladies, we will now have the pleasure of listening to our President's Report. I know she has something good to tell us. I take great pleasure in presenting Mrs. Witter, our Department President, who will read her address.

Department President then read her address, which was received with much enthusiasm.

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## Address of Department President

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To the Officers and Members of the Thirty-first Annual Convention,  
Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps:

"'Tis wisdom's law, the perfect code, by love inspired—  
Of him on whom much is bestowed, much is required."

When at your Thirtieth Annual Convention you honored me with the Presidency of the Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps, the highest office within the gift of the Department, I took the obligation and assumed the responsibilities with the deepest appreciation of the honor thus conferred, and with a full determination to perform all the requirements of the office to the best of my ability. With the help of the All-wise Father I have conscientiously been faithful to the trust.

We have again assembled in convention to present the official record of duties performed, to elect officers, and it is hoped to legislate wisely and well for our future advancement and prosperity.

Matters of very grave importance to the future welfare of our Order will be presented for your consideration and decision. It is desired that you, by close attention, and careful thought, be prepared to assist in determining these to the special good of the Order.

### DEPARTMENT WORK OF THE YEAR.

With the increase of the Department comes a corresponding increase of the duties. In this labor of love for our Order all my time has been given throughout the year. In the heavy correspondence, answers of decisions, advice, information, special dispensations, congratulations, suggested plans for increase of membership and encouragement have been gladly given, and no letter intentionally neglected. It was a pleasure to be of service to the sisters requiring assistance, especially the weak and discouraged Corps, to whom many letters—in some cases assistance and help—has been sent which brought gratifying results. The official reports will show they have endeavored to do their whole duty, and while we deeply regret more has not been accomplished we are glad to record some advancement, we have ever been most willing and anxious to give assistance whenever time permitted. Much of the president's and officers' valuable time might be saved and given to important duties if she had some kind of Department helper, composed of the decisions and extra business of the Iowa Department, arranged and condensed in some manner of easy access to which she might refer for information, the knowledge of which is imperative, with no source whatever to gain said information, save largely through the courtesy of kind and willing past officers. I feel such a leaflet of information would be a great benefit and time saver for the Department officers.

I make Recommendation No. 1.

That a committee of two be appointed, one by the incoming President and one by the retiring President, to compile and have type-

written such a helper for the convenience and use of the Department officers.

### CONDITION OF THE DEPARTMENT.

We regret to report the surrender of four charters this year, Nos. 225, 310, 255, 321, with a combined loss of 36 members. We sent many letters of encouragement and help to these Corps, but of no avail. They were composed mostly of old ladies who could hardly attend the meetings and had become completely disheartened and determined to disband. They will continue to assist at Memorial Day exercises. We gave transfer cards to those in good standing.

We are most happy to report the organization on October 24, 1913, of General Sheridan Corps, No. 356, Marshalltown, with a charter membership of 39. The Department President was assisted by the I. and I. officer, Elsie B. Wade, and accompanied by Flora E. Pond, Delegate at Large. We were royally received and entertained and will long remember their courtesies.

At Orient, Iowa, January 30, 1914, James Welch Corps, No. 270, was re-organized by Department Junior Vice President Mary A. Tuttle with a membership of 13. On June 3, 1914, R. J. O. McGowan Corps, No. 357, was instituted at Ocheyedan by I. and I. officer, Elsie B. Wade, with a membership of 18. The Department extends a cordial welcome to these new Corps. Iowa ranks fourth in membership in the National but hopes are entertained for a higher rank next year. Our membership has advanced to 11,689 in good standing, with no delinquent Corps, the highest membership since its organization. With suspended members we have 12,258.

A spirit of industry and zeal seems to prevail among the Corps. If letters received are indicative there will be a substantial gain for the next quarterly reports. We are entitled to one more delegate to National Convention, in all 18, including the Delegate-at-Large.

The gold recognition pin awarded to a President for the greatest number of initiates was given to Anna M. Kistner, President of No. 15, Waterloo, for 35 initiations.

Our greatest ambition and chief purpose is the prosperity and up building of the Order. Hearing many expressions of disappointment and regret at the discontinuance of the exemplification of the ritualistic work at Department Convention and numerous requests that it be re-established, knowing it has been discarded in nearly all other Departments, yet thinking it might stimulate the convention attendance and create enthusiasm for greater proficiency in the ritualistic work, and also satisfy the requests to bring it before the Convention.

I make Recommendation No. 2.

That we re-establish the custom of exemplifying the Ritual at Department conventions, the work to be done by a Corps selected by the President outside of the city in which the Convention is held.

I make Recommendation No. 3.

That 75 remain the basis for representation to Department Convention.

### FUTURE OF THE ORDER.

To maintain a permanent organization our future greatly depends upon the effort put forth at the present time. Very true we are gaining

in membership but each year we are losing Corps. Next year, unless help is given we will lose yet more. We cannot shut our eyes to the fact that it is impossible to live always when we are yearly narrowing our working territory. We have organized 357 Corps and have at present 203, a loss of 154. Think of the loss, of the possible gain of membership there would have come through the efforts of 154 Corps striving for advancement. We have 88 Posts in our Department without the Auxiliary W. R. C. in their cities. May we not have in a business way some detailed worker to go over the state and work for the organization of new Corps, to re-organize old ones with new and younger material, to bear the burdens of the dear old workers of so many years, and strengthen the discouraged and weak ones in much the same manner, and correct some of the errors that have been circulating relative to our principles?

I make Recommendation No. 4.

That the President detail a capable worker, convincing speaker, one who can give all her time if required, to travel over the state in the interest of organization and the general upbuilding of the Order. The same remuneration allowed her while in active service as is given the office of Secretary and Treasurer, her expenses to be paid by Corps where practicable, otherwise by the Department.

#### FINANCES.

It is impossible to sustain an organization of over 12,000 membership without great expense. We have judiciously restricted the expenditure to such an amount as would be in keeping with our high standard and good of the Order. An increase of  $\frac{1}{2}$  cent per capita per quarter is required by the National. I refer you to the annual report of receipts and disbursements of the Department Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd, who gives cash balance in the General Fund of \$5,077.81 and in the Relief, \$436.89, total \$5,514.70, thereby showing the prosperous financial condition of the Order. The half cent per member has been transferred quarterly to the Relief Fund.

I make Recommendation No. 5.

That the per capita tax remain the same, ten cents per member, and one-third cent per member be transferred quarterly to the Relief Fund.

#### RELIEF OF THE DEPARTMENT.

To assist such union veterans as need our help and protection and to extend needful aid to their widows and orphans has been our purpose throughout the year. After proper investigation by the Relief Committee such aid has been rendered as was deemed consistent with the principles of our Order. A complete report of the year's work is given by the chairman of the Relief Committee, Abbie Hanley.

#### PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTION.

Patriotic instruction is one of the principal and important duties in our Order today. Some advancement is being made each year in this broad field. More flags are being placed in the school rooms, more flag salutes in the hands of the children than ever before, all national anniversaries and respect for the flag, is being more fully observed. This work has been ably guarded by our untiring and enthusiastic Patriotic Instructor Lu L. Schrack, who will give a full report of her work.

## INSPECTION AND DISTRICT CONVENTIONS.

Under the efficient leadership of Department Inspector Carrie I. Netcott no Corps was omitted this year in this very important and necessary feature of our work. Department Inspector and assistants alike deserve the gratitude of the Department for the time and instruction willingly given to bring to greater perfection the observance of the rules of our Order.

Seventeen District Conventions are placed on record for the first time. It has been my privilege and great pleasure to be present at all of these well attended, enthusiastic, joyous occasions, made more entertaining and instructive by the presence of some past Department officer at each Convention. The Corps kindly entertaining the conventions should receive great credit and appreciation for the laborious work and expense necessary for our instruction and enjoyment.

I make Recommendation No. 6.

That District Conventions be continued under the direction and supervision of the Department President.

I make Recommendation No. 7.

That we continue the decision of the Seventeenth Annual Convention, "That a report be written by the Secretary of each Corps concerning the work of the year which shall be read and approved at a Corps meeting, the President's signature affixed, and the report read by the delegate at District Convention"

I make Recommendation No. 8.

That the delegate to District Convention be elected in the usual manner of electing delegates.

District Conventions for 1914 are located as follows:

Dist.	Corps	Dist.	Corps
No.	Location	No.	Location
1	Fredericksburg .....	61	10 Anamosa .....
2	Eagle Grove .....	194	11 Lisbon .....
3	Rolfe .....	161	12 Colfax .....
4	Ireton .....	166	13 Des Moines (Crocker)
5	Logan .....	283	14 Shenandoah .....
6	Audubon .....	38	15 Leon (assisted by Gar-
7	Webster City .....	99	den, Grove & Decatur)
8	New Hartford .....	228	16 Oskaloosa .....
9	Lamont .....	336	17 Fairfield .....
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## NATIONAL CONVENTION.

National Convention was held September 17, 18, 19, 1913, in the very interesting and historical city of Chattanooga. A large and enthusiastic delegation of Woman's Relief Corps members were met in Chicago by Department Commander Judge J. W. Willett and staff, and conveyed over the Queen & Crescent Route to the city of Convention. Iowa's delegation was comfortably located in the Hotel Eastern. The usual instructive and interesting session of National Convention was called to order in the very commodious and beautiful Methodist church. Iowa was represented by twenty-four voting members, who were most faithful throughout the entire proceedings. Corps have had

an excellent report of the trip and convention given by Delegate-at-Large Flora E. Pond. A full account is given in the Journal of the Thirty-first National Convention.

### IOWA SOLDIERS' HOME.

It was my privilege to visit the Soldiers' Home at two different times this year, and I thoroughly enjoyed each visit. The first was at the time of the organization of General Sheridan Relief Corps, No. 356. The second was on May 1st by invitation from Chairman of Soldiers' Home Board G. A. R., Past Department Commander J. C. Milliman, who was accompanied by members of the G. A. R. Home Board and Department Commander J. W. Willett. The Department Secretary, Alice Cooper, and myself were met at Marshalltown by Chairman of W. R. C. Home Board, Mary W. Hazard, and members Margaret Hinman and Celia White. The day was ideal. The Home grounds presented a most refreshing and beautiful appearance. Commandant Horton met us in his own pleasing manner and conducted us through the different departments where cleanliness, order and contentment seemed the prevailing feature.

The hospital department awakened the deepest interest and sympathy. We saw many feeble and suffering ones that were being cared for tenderly and kindly by the considerate nurses and attendants. We were informed of the need of more pillows, washable covers, 18x18 inches filled with cotton, and glasses of jelly. Remember these suffering army veterans. In the afternoon a pleasant campfire was held in the chapel.

The total membership in the Home May, 1914, was 1,092. Of this number 760 are men and 332 women; 138 men and 41 women were in the hospital; 925 comrades lie sleeping in the Home cemetery; 70 burial flags have been furnished the Home during the past year by the W. R. C. Donations from the W. R. C. to the Home, 1914, amount to \$362.47.

### SOLDIERS' ORPHANS' HOME.

On the 2nd of May in company with Department Secretary Alice Cooper and Chief of Staff Addie E. Unangst I had the pleasure of visiting every department of this perfectly controlled and harmonious institution—cottages, schools, sewing room, kitchen, kindergarten, laundry and the wonder dining room, where table manners are as perfect as those in cultured homes. It was a perfect delight to watch the shy, smiling faces of the little ones as they passed to their places, looking up for recognition by their best friend, Superintendent Sessions, who never failed to return the smile or say a friendly word. As we observe the capable management of the various departments and his love and sympathy for the little ones we are led to conclude that none better could be found to occupy the chair of Superintendent of the Soldiers' Orphans' Home. There are but 62 soldiers' orphans at present in the Home. The donation to the Orphans' Home this year was \$90.29.

### PRESS CORRESPONDENCE.

Without an official organ the past year the Press Correspondent has been greatly handicapped in her usefulness in communicating such knowledge as might have been beneficial in upbuilding the Order.

### GRAND ARMY ADVOCATE.

We have learned of the contemplated return of the Grand Army

Advocate to this state by its editor, T. W. Lincoln, who stands ready to demonstrate the fact of his loyalty to the Woman's Relief Corps.

I make Recommendation No. 9.

That the Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps, accept the Grand Army Advocate as their official organ and use it freely for the advancement of our principles and give their patronage and influence in making it a successful patriotic paper.

#### MEMORIAL DAY.

The country's great and lasting monument to her heroic dead, the day of sacred memories and fragrant blossoms. Each year the citizens grow more kindly and appreciative of the sacredness of this holy day, and more assistance is given the remaining comrades in the performance of the loving duties of this day.

"While calmly they rest in the soil they have freed  
Oh let us recount every valorous deed,  
And moisten their tomb with the flow of our tears  
While sadly we gaze down the vista of years  
Into death's solitude which vibrates with the tread  
Of valorous army, of veterans dead.

#### GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Words can but feebly express the loyalty of the Woman's Relief Corps to the Grand Army of the Republic, nor the assuring words of their fidelity to their Auxiliary. A prayer of gratitude and thanksgiving goes forth from the hearts of all Corps members that so large a number of these honored veterans are yet permitted to be among us, and that we are privileged to minister to their comfort and happiness with renewed zeal and loyalty. Our permanently established organization will perpetuate their memory as long as the country in lasting appreciation of their heroic deeds sacredly observes Memorial Day.

#### SONS OF VETERANS.

To the Sons of Veterans and their Auxiliary we extend greetings and express our warmest interest in their noble organization. They are doing much in every way to lighten the burdens of their fathers in the Grand Army. We wish them untold prosperity. Thanks are due for General Orders received.

#### GRAND ARMY NURSES.

Through a special effort we have ascertained that the Department of Iowa has the honor of being the home of seven Civil war army nurses if all were reported by the Presidents as requested. Our gratitude cannot be expressed too earnestly to these ministering angels who sacrificed self so willingly to be of assistance to the Army boys. To show our appreciation in a more substantial way

I make Recommendation No. 10.

That we remember each Army Nurse at Christmas time with a small greeting of \$5.00.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

The past year two hundred and seven loving members of our Order have passed the shadow of the valley to enter the unclosed gates of white. Enrolled among this number is one of our respected Past Department Presidents, Jennie Lothrop Whedon; army nurse, Sarah Hannah Brown.



Sincere and loving sympathy in F. C. L. is given the sorrowing homes and friends.

Our Department sorrows with the Grand Army in the loss of Past Department Commander Charles A. Clarke.

Recommendation No. 11.

That the memorial day of the members of the Woman's Relief Corps be held in June, the day to be left optional with the Corps.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

I have no words by which to express my gratitude or appreciation to my faithful Official Staff. Whatever of success attending this administration has been through the earnest and willing assistance of these loyal officers. Not one word or action has marred the perfect harmony existing throughout the entire year. My faithful Secretary has truthfully been my "present help in every time of need."

I can never forget the kindness or help given me by the past Department officers. The courtesies of the membership throughout the state in homes or meetings, and the many remembrances to remind me of their love and respect are all mine in memory as long as life shall last.

My thanks and appreciations are given the Grand Army for all attentions shown us and the loyalty of my own Post and Corps will always be a pleasant memory.

#### CONCLUSION.

"All the toils of the road will seem nothing when we get to the end of the way. "The year is done, its labors o'er. I pause to hear the verdict read." Let the mantle of charity fall on mistakes made by human blindness, and the loyalty that bespeaks fraternity be mine. I ask for my successor the same loving consideration, and greater prosperity for our noble Order.

Though the circling flight of time may  
Find us far apart, or severed more and more,  
Yet the farewell always lies behind us,  
And the welcome lies before.

MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Department President.



FANNIE E. WARDEN  
SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT



MARY A. TUTTLE  
JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT



NANCY CLAPP  
CHAPLAIN

## **Report of Senior Vice-President**

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Burlington, Iowa, June 1, 1914.

Mrs. Alice Cooper,

Department Secretary.

Dear Madam:

In compliance with the requirements of our Order, I submit through you, to the Thirty-first Department Convention, the following report:

I want to thank and acknowledge the honor conferred upon me by electing me Senior Vice-President. My work has not been large, but what I have has been a very great pleasure to me, and has been performed conscientiously and cheerfully. It was my privilege and pleasure to attend the Seventeenth District Convention, which was a success and of great benefit to all. Through the courtesy of our Department President and Department Inspector, I was assigned four Corps to inspect, and at each place I was cordially received and royally entertained. It was my pleasure to install the officers of my home Corps, No. 62, January 1st, installation being held jointly with the Post, refreshments being served at the close of the service. My thanks are due the Department President and Department Secretary for General Orders, which have been read with much pleasure.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. L.

FANNIE E. WARDAN.

Senior Vice-President.

## Report of Junior Vice-President

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Greenfield, Iowa, May 14, 1914.

Alice Cooper,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.,

Council Bluffs, Ia.

Dear Sister:

In compliance with the rules of our Order, I herewith submit my report as Department Junior Vice-President:

Fully appreciating the honor conferred upon me by the Thirtieth Annual Convention, held in Des Moines, I at once communicated to the President my readiness and willingness to assist her in any way, at any time, if in my power to do so.

It was a great disappointment to me that I was unable to attend the National Convention at Chattanooga, having been injured while riding in an automobile, but I was able to attend the District Convention at Osceola, which was very helpful to me. Following that, I had the pleasure of inspecting Sedgwick Corps No. 82 at Bedford, Lenox No. 136, Lenox, and Jewett No. 2, Nevinville, which I did to the very best of my ability. I was very cordially received by all, and found much interest in the work. In January, I reorganized James Welch Corps No. 270 at Orient. I have visited them once since, and found them very enthusiastic. I had hoped to accomplish more, but it was impossible. I wish to thank the Department for giving me a chance to fill a little place and take a little part in our great work. I wish to thank our dear Department President for her kindness and loving words to me. Also our Secretary for General Orders and courtesies extended. And now, as we are nearing the dawn of another administration, let us pledge anew our loyalty to the principles of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

MARY A. TUTTLE,

Dept. Junior Vice-President.



ALICE COOPER  
DEPARTMENT SECRETARY

## Report of Department Secretary

Council Bluffs, Iowa, June 4th, 1914.

Mrs. Mattie E. Witter, Department President W. R. C.

My dear President: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Woman's Relief Corps I hereby submit to you and to the members of the Thirty-first Annual Convention a report of the year's work, which shows a gratifying gain in membership, much relief work accomplished and promise of future possibilities in the upbuilding influence of our beloved Order. The measure of success attained has come through the spirit of fraternity, charity and loyalty abounding in the hearts of ardent W. R. C. members, loyally encouraged by your faithful guidance. All zealous efforts have been gratefully appreciated for it has been a pleasure to record all gains.

At the beginning of this official year there were 203 Corps in the Department in good standing and 1 Corps delinquent. During the year four Corps disbanded and three new Corps were organized, leaving 203 Corps in the Department, all in good standing.

The disbanded Corps are:

Corps			Corps		
No.	Location	Members	No.	Location	Members
225	Shelby .....	15	310	Mondamin .....	9
255	Garner .....	8	321	Schaller .....	4
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					Total ..... 36

The Corps organized are:

Corps			Corps		
No.	Location	Members	No.	Location	Members
270	Orient .....	13	356	Marshalltown ..	39
357	Ocheyedan ...	18			
					—
					Total ..... 70

### REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP.

Consolidated reports to National Secretary give number of Corps and membership in the Department for each quarter as follows:

	Corps	Members
June 30, 1913.....	204	11,275
September 30, 1913.....	204	11,283
December 31, 1913.....	202	11,505
March 31, 1914.....	202	11,689

Per Capita Tax at ten cents per member has passed through my hands to the Department Treasurer to the amount of \$4,581.90 and of this amount \$1,032.29 has been the per capita assessment to National, owing to the increased tax of ½ cent per member for the last two quarters.

## Gain from all sources during the year by quarters:

June 30, 1913.....	502
September 30, 1913.....	406
December 31, 1913.....	652
March 31, 1914.....	602

Total .....2,162

## Loss from all sources during the year by quarters:

June 30, 1913.....	549
September 30, 1913.....	398
December 31, 1913.....	430
March 31, 1914.....	418

Total .....1,795

Members in good standing March 31, 1913.....11,322

Net gain for the year.....367

Members in good standing March 31, 1914.....11,689

Number of members remaining suspended March 31, 1914.....569

Total membership in Department March 31, 1914.....12,258

Death has claimed a large number this year. Two hundred and seven of our members have gone to the Great Beyond. Among these, Past Department President, Jennie Whedon, of Winterset, Iowa, and one army nurse, Sarah Hannah Brown, Oelwein, Iowa.

## Cash expended for relief:

June 30, 1913.....	\$ 677.28
September 30, 1913.....	320.87
December 31, 1913.....	534.46
March 31, 1914.....	570.90

Total .....\$2,103.51

## Estimate value other than money:

June 30, 1913.....	\$ 794.55
September 30, 1913.....	654.71
December 31, 1913.....	1,697.55
March 31, 1914.....	1,444.56

Total .....\$4,591.37

Number of soldiers assisted during the year.....381

Number in soldiers' families assisted.....885

Number of members assisted.....283

Number in members' families assisted.....342

Total number of persons assisted.....1,891

Corps reporting \$50.00 or more cash expended for relief during the year:

Corps No.		Corps No.	
11	Cedar Rapids .....\$80.00	48	Iowa Falls .....\$78.47
24	E. Des Moines ..... 62.24	99	Webster City ..... 62.94
27	Des Moines ..... 72.48	170	Knoxville ..... 63.00
34	Davenport ..... 64.55	184	Renwick ..... 92.65
37	Dubuque ..... 74.36	207	Guthrie Center ..... 50.00

## Corps reporting 100 or more members March 31, 1914:

Corps No.		Corps No.	
11	Cedar Rapids .....226	78	Iowa City .....137
15	Waterloo .....177	83	Waverly .....122
17	Chariton .....110	87	Sioux City .....138
20	Fort Dodge .....109	88	Wellman .....110
24	E. Des Moines .....211	98	Ames .....118
26	Cedar Falls .....147	117	Winterset .....104
27	Des Moines .....236	122	Muscatine .....205
32	Centerville ....112	126	Marion .....121
34	Davenport .....109	170	Knoxville .....119
37	Dubuque .....154	245	Akron .....130
45	Washington .....130	264	Red Oak .....160
58	Decorah .....164	307	Osage .....100
72	Mason City .....102	324	Hazelton ..119
74	Clear Lake .....100		

## Corps gaining 10 or more members by initiation from March 31, 1913, to March 31, 1914.

Corps No.	Gain	Corps No.	Gain
4	Wyoming .....12	122	Muscatine .....21
9	Marshalltown .....22	126	Marion .....13
11	Cedar Rapids .....11	128	Sigourney .....12
15	Waterloo .....37	141	Creston .....13
24	E. Des Moines .....20	170	Knoxville .....25
27	Des Moines .....28	171	Marengo .....13
33	Mt. Pleasant .....20	207	Guthrie Center .....10
34	Davenport .....12	216	Woodbine .....11
38	Audubon .....32	245	Akron .....10
48	Iowa Falls .....12	254	Lisbon .....15
72	Mason City .....17	281	Oelwein .....27
78	Iowa City .....13	286	Oskaloosa .....16
81	Hampton .....11	307	Osage .....47
83	Waverly .....15	308	Estherville .....10
87	Sioux City .....16	327	So. Ottumwa .....15
89	Strawberry Pt. ....10	336	Lamont .....10
99	Webster City .....14	355	Columbus Junction...23
102	Osceola .....12	356	Marshalltown .....13
117	Winterset .....11		

## DONATIONS TO SOLDIERS' HOME, MARSHALLTOWN.

Corps  
No.

4	Wyoming, Pillow covers, quilt cover, jellies.....	\$ 13.00
11	Cedar Rapids, Cushions.....	8.00
17	Chariton, Cushions.....	15.00
37	Dubuque, Jellies.....	15.00
38	Audubon, Cushions.....	15.00
39	Sibley, Canned fruit, jellies, quilts, quilt pieces.....	8.00
58	Decorah, Jellies, preserves.....	5.00
62	Burlington, Quilt pieces.....	1.50
72	Mason City, Supplies.....	6.00
76	Ft. Madison, 100 glasses of jelly.....	10.00
78	Iowa City, Supplies.....	10.00
102	Osceola, Jellies.....	2.00



108	Humboldt, Jellies, cushions.....	6.50
202	Riverside, Box of supplies.....	6.00
216	Woodbine, Fruit, jellies.....	8.40
222	Russell, Supplies .....	6.00
227	Britt, Fruit jellies, cushions.....	7.75
244	Grundy Center, Cushions, jellies.....	6.75
245	Akron, Cash .....	5.00
251	Jefferson, Cushions, jellies.....	20.00
254	Lisbon, Pillows, fruit, jellies, quilt pieces.....	18.00
258	Edgewood, Cushions and covers, jellies, quilt pieces.....	5.00
278	Newell, Cushions, lunch cloths, quilt pieces.....	10.00
281	Oelwein, cushions .....	6.50
283	Logan, Cushions, jellies, quilt pieces.....	15.00
297	Northwood, Cushions .....	8.22
332	Adel, Jellies .....	9.50
355	Columbus Junction, Barrel of fruit.....	30.00
32	Centerville, Fruits, jellies.....	16.50
48	Iowa Falls, Jellies, cushions.....	4.00
55	Rock Rapids, Jellies, cushions.....	5.00
75	Correctionville, Gifts .....	15.65
109	Williamsburg, Gifts .....	10.00
130	Belle Plaine, Cushions, jellies.....	5.20
171	Marengo, Gifts .....	3.00
351	Fairbank, Box of canned fruit.....	10.00
41	West Union, Jellies.....	2.00
17	Chariton, Fruit, jellies.....	10.00
87	Cushions and jellies.....	10.00
Total .....		\$362.47

CONTRIBUTIONS TO ORPHANS' HOME, DAVENPORT.

Corps

No.		
11	Cedar Rapids, Cash.....	\$ 5.00
34	Davenport, Caps, ties, ribbons.....	5.00
37	Dubuque, Handkerchiefs .....	2.20
50	Scranton, Cash .....	1.00
62	Burlington, Cash .....	5.00
89	Strawberry Point, Cash.....	5.00
202	Riverside, Box of gifts.....	6.00
227	Britt, Hair ribbons, handkerchiefs, caps, games, candy....	3.50
245	Akron, Cash .....	5.00
281	Oelwein, Handkerchiefs, hair ribbons.....	2.00
349	Marathon, Cash .....	1.00
355	Columbus Junction, Gifts.....	5.00
34	Davenport, Caps, gloves, mittens.....	5.81
48	Iowa Falls, Toys, ribbons.....	3.78
58	Decorah, Toys, books, games.....	6.00
122	Muscatine, Toys, ribbons, books.....	5.00
171	Marengo, Gifts .....	19.60
351	Fairbank, cash .....	5.00
Total .....		\$ 90.29

## Donations to Flag fund:

78	Iowa City	.....\$ .50
80	LeMars	..... .50
26	Cedar Falls	..... .50
14	Parkersburg	..... .50
20	Fort Dodge	..... .50
15	Waterloo	..... .50
180	Council Bluffs	..... 1.00
72	Mason City	..... .50
154	Indianola	..... .50
138	Monroe	..... .50
27	Des Moines	..... .50
154	Indianola	..... .50
11	Cedar Rapids	..... .50
216	Woodbine	..... .50
33	Mt. Pleasant	..... .25
45	Washington	..... 1.00
144	Independence	..... .50
12	Boone	..... .50
73	Center Point	..... .50
181	Sheldon	..... .50

## Corps No.

163	Emmetsburg	.....\$ .50
87	Sioux City	..... .50
110	Odebolt	..... .50
117	Winterset	..... .50
90	Brandon	..... .50
62	Burlington	..... 1.00
102	Osceola	..... 1.00
17	Chariton	..... .50
58	Decorah	..... .50
4	Wyoming	..... .25
38	Audubon	..... .50
122	Muscatine	..... 1.00
108	Humboldt	..... .50
245	Akron	..... .50
234	Tama	..... .50
337	Madrid	..... .25
286	Oskaloosa	..... 1.00
244	Grundy Center	..... .50

Total .....\$21.75

## DONATIONS TO SOUTHERN MEMORIAL FUND.

## Corps No.

20	Fort Dodge	.....\$1.00
245	Akron	..... 2.00
17	Chariton	..... 1.00
89	Strawberry Point	... 1.00
69	McGregor	..... .25
60	New Hampton	..... 1.00
351	Fairbank	..... 2.00
163	Emmetsburg	..... 2.00
307	Osage	..... 1.00
38	Audubon	..... 1.00
24	Des Moines	..... 1.00
243	Fonda	..... 1.00
87	Sioux City	..... 2.00
4	Wyoming	..... 1.00
278	Newell	..... 1.00
138	Monroe	..... 1.00
130	Belle Plaine	..... .50
55	Rock Rapids	..... .50
190	Clarksville	..... 1.00
19	Eldora	..... 1.00
32	Centerville	..... 1.00
325	Hawarden	..... .50
98	Ames	..... .50
14	Parkersburg	..... .50
214	Emerson	..... .50
30	Clarion	..... 1.00
74	Clear Lake	..... 1.00
6	Grinnell	..... 1.00
234	Tama	..... 2.00
147	Nevada	..... 1.00

## Corps No.

283	Logan	..... .50
277	Garden Grove	..... 1.00
37	Dubuque	..... .50
62	Burlington	..... .50
281	Oelwein	..... 1.00
33	Mt. Pleasant	..... 1.00
58	Decorah	..... 1.00
76	Ft. Madison	..... .50
227	Britt	..... .50
72	Mason City	..... 1.00
123	Waukon	..... .50
261	Rockwell City	..... 1.00
329	Dayton	..... 2.00
180	Council Bluffs	..... 1.00
104	Corning	..... 1.00
171	Marengo	..... 1.00
45	Washington	..... 2.00
216	Woodbine	..... 1.00
205	Nodaway	..... 1.00
166	Ireton	..... 2.00
48	Iowa Falls	..... 1.00
148	Belmond	..... .50
201	Sac City	..... .50
144	Independence	..... 1.00
181	Sheldon	..... 1.00
154	Indianola	..... .50
108	Humboldt	..... 1.00
244	Grundy Center	..... 1.00

Total .....\$57.75

There have been mailed from this office to those entitled to receive them:

- 12 National General Orders.
- 5 National Circular Letters.
- 1 National Password.
- 15 National Journals.
- 39 National Credential Cards.
- 8 Department General Orders.
- 5 Department Circular Letters.
- 1 Department Password.
- 2 Charters.
- 500 Reports of Delegate-at-Large.
- 1,632 Quarterly Report Blanks, Forms A, D and N, each of four quarters.
- 420 Election Returns.
- 410 Memorial Day Blanks.
- 370 Department Journals.
- 1,500 Department Credential Cards.
- 270 Commissions to Appointive Officers and Aides.
- 202 Mailing slips to National Printer.
- 250 Department Rosters for 1914.
- 202 Copies of Address.

#### SUMMARY.

Cash expended by Corps for relief.....	\$2,103.51
Estimate value of relief other than money.....	4,591.37
Total number of persons assisted.....	1,891
Total contributions to Soldiers' Home.....	362.47
Total contributions to Orphans' Home .....	90.27
Total contributions to Flag Fund .....	21.75
Total contributions to Southern Memorial Fund.....	57.75
Total number of members in good standing March 31, 1914..	11,689
Total number of members remaining suspended .....	569
Total membership in the Department March 31, 1914.....	12,258

#### QUARTERLY REPORTS.

Changes constantly occur which call new officers to the discharge of new duties.

The need to strive for prompt and accurate reports is still urged.

A careful reading of General Orders will prevent many mistakes and save expense to the Department.

Official correspondence has shown that a copy of General Orders giving names and addresses of new Department Officers conveniently posted for ready reference might have prevented many errors in making out and sending drafts for per capita and election returns.

A careful comparison of reports on the part of Corps Secretary and Corps Treasurer before sending to Department Secretary to see that Forms A and D agree in membership, cash expended for Relief, Estimate Value of Relief and accuracy of balances, will raise the standard of correctness in reports and also save unnecessary expense.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

To Department officers, Corps officers and members:—I wish to express my thankful appreciation of many courtesies and kind messages received during the year which brought me joy and gladness.

These sweet ministrations came with the magic of music, touching the sympathetic chord of fellowship, making the service of the W. R. C. grander and nobler.

“God sent His singers upon earth  
With songs of sadness and of mirth  
That they might touch the hearts of men  
And bring them back to heaven again.”

To our Department President I wish to return thanks for the honor and the unsolicited appointment to this office and for her constant spirit of enthusiasm and encouragement.

Realizing that fidelity is the measure of one's responsibility, I have with pleasure given my time and best efforts.

The work has given me a knowledge of the aims, intentions and practical results accomplished by the W. R. C. which exalts its mission in the past, present and future as a patriotic organization of power and influence.

To my successor I extend fraternal greetings and wish her the joy of recording gains in the advancement of the W. R. C.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

ALICE COOPER,

Department Secretary.



CORNELIA T. DODD  
DEPARTMENT TREASURER

# Report of Department Treasurer

Office of Department Treasurer, W. R. C.,

Algona, Ia., June 1, 1914.

Alice Cooper, Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

In compliance with the rules and regulations of the Order, I submit herewith a financial statement of the Department of Iowa, June 12, 1913, to May 29, 1914.

CORNELIA T. DODD.

Department Treasurer.

## SUMMARY OF BALANCES IN FUNDS MAY 29, 1914.

General Fund.....	\$ 5,077.81
Relief Fund.....	436.89

Grand Total in hands of Treasurer.....	\$ 5,514.70
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### GENERAL FUND.

DR.

Received from Mira O. McFarland.....	\$3,615.52	
Received from Convention Flag Fund.....	30.50	
		\$ 3,646.02

Received Per Capita.....	\$4,581.90	
Received for Supplies.....	1,625.98	
Received for Convention Flag Fund.....	21.25	
Refunded By Mattie E. Witter, Room Rent and		
Sale of Badges.....	40.50	
Interest on Certificate of Deposit.....	160.55	6,430.18

Total Receipts.....	\$10,076.20
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By Cash Expended.....	4,998.39
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Cash Balance in General Fund May 29, 1914.....	\$ 5,077.81
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### RELIEF FUND.

DR.

Received from Mira O. McFarland.....	\$ 312.81	
Received from Jennie Wade Fund.....	.25	

Total .....	\$ 312.81	
Received for Southern Memorial Fund.....	57.75	
Transferred from General Fund.....	229.08	

Total Receipts.....	\$ 599.64
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By Cash Expended.....	162.75
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Cash Balance in Relief Fund May 29, 1914.....	\$ 436.89
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Total Cash on Hand.....	\$5,514.70
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## ABSTRACT OF EXPENDITURES.

1	Department Treasurer, Postage.....	\$ 10.00
2	Department President, Postage.....	5.00
3	Department Secretary, Postage.....	15.00
4	Department Treasurer, Salary and Rent.....	39.33
5	Department Secretary, Salary, Rent, R. R. and Expenses.	43.67
6	Department President, R. R., Expenses, Express, Supplies, Telegrams .....	12.24
7	Yonker Bros., Ribbon.....	8.54
8	National Treasurer, Department Per Capita Tax.....	225.50
9	Relief Fund Transferred from General Fund.....	56.38
10	Department Treasurer, Convention Expenses, Freight, Supplies .....	11.39
11	National Treasurer, Supplies for Quarter Ending June 30.	140.66
12	Sue Stanwood, Drayage and Postage.....	.85
13	George A. Newman, National Convention Expenses.....	33.20
14	Estella E. Plopper, Transportation to Algoma and Return to Iowa Falls.....	15.81
15	American Lithographing & Printing Co., Printing Badges.	1.25
16	Department Secretary, Telegram, Express, Mailing Sta- tionery and Reports.....	10.05
17	Department Secretary, Postage.....	10.00
18	Morehouse & Co., Printing Envelopes, Letterheads and General Orders.....	41.00
19	Department President, Expenses to Des Moines and return	6.53
20	Department Secretary, Salary, Rent, Postage, Telegram, Freight .....	55.41
21	Department Treasurer, Salary, Rent and Postage.....	49.33
22	Department President, Printing National Badges.....	36.00
23	E. J. Murtagh, Agent Fidelity Deposit Co., Department Treasurer's Bond.....	10.00
24	Captain Wallace Foster, Flags.....	5.35
25	Department Treasurer, Freight and Drayage on Supplies.	2.55
26	Captain Wallace Foster, Flags.....	12.76
27	Department President, Expenses to Des Moines and Rep- resentative to Winterset.....	10.33
28	Department President, Printing Department Password..	3.00
29	Department President, 500 Mailing Tubes.....	3.00
30	Department Secretary, Postage, Express, Etc.....	10.50
31	Flora E. Pond, Round Trip Ticket to National Convention	35.00
32	Department Secretary, Rent and Salary.....	39.33
33	Department President, Postage.....	5.00
34	Department Treasurer, Rent and Salary.....	39.33
35	Sarah A. Fox, Compiling Journal.....	50.00
36	Sarah A. Fox, Postage, Mailing Journals.....	28.75
37	Department President, Room Rent National Convention..	98.00
38	Klaffenbach Bros., Printing Journals, Etc.....	305.75
39	J. S. Wilson, Florist, Flowers for Jennie Whedon Funeral.	3.00
40	Department Secretary, Expenses to National Convention.	52.00
41	Department President, Expenses to National Convention.	57.95
42	Department President, District Convention Expenses....	9.40
43	Morehouse & Co., Register.....	15.00
44	Morehouse & Co., Printing Billheads.....	5.00
45	Morehouse & Co., Printing General Orders.....	7.50

46	Morehouse & Co., Printing Envelopes, Ribbons, Etc.....	31.50
47	National Treasurer, Supplies.....	148.52
48	Department President, National Convention Expenses to Flora E. Pond.....	5.00
49	Flora E. Pond, Balance of Expenses to National Con- vention .....	15.62
50	Department Secretary, Rent, Salary and Telegram.....	39.63
51	Department Secretary, Mailing, Registering Reports....	3.56
52	Department President, District Convention Expenses....	24.71
53	Department Treasurer, Freight and Express.....	2.07
54	National Treasurer, Per Capita Tax for Quarter Ending September 30th.....	226.94
55	Transferred to Relief Fund.....	56.73
56	Department President, District Convention, Freight, Postals .....	14.93
57	Department Treasurer, Postage, Freight, Rent, Salary and Supplies.....	51.56
58	Department Secretary, Mailing National Orders, Password	4.96
59	Carrie E. Netcott, Postage, Etc.....	3.63
60	Morehouse & Co., Printing National Password Envelopes.	1.75
61	Department Treasurer, Rent, Salary.....	39.33
62	Department Secretary, Rent, Salary and Telegram.....	39.63
63	Department Secretary, Office Supplies.....	4.20
64	Flora E. Pond, Printing Reports of Delegate at Large...	6.67
65	Elsie B. Wade, Department I and I Officer, Trip to Marshalltown, Etc. ....	17.85
66	Department Secretary, Mailing General Orders No. 4....	5.00
67	Department President, District Convention Expenses....	15.99
68	Department Treasurer, Postage and Supplies.....	10.30
69	Myra O. McFarland, Returning Requisition Orders....	1.31
70	E. E. Schrack, Printing Circular Letter and Postage.....	2.17
71	Department President, District Convention Expenses....	29.17
72	Department Secretary, Postage.....	15.00
73	Department President, Postage.....	5.00
74	Captain Wallace Foster, Flags.....	12.00
75	Department Treasurer, Rent and Salary.....	39.33
76	Department Secretary, Rent, Salary, Express.....	39.68
77	Hattie Ehrman, Relief to Army Nurse, R. F.....	25.00
78	Department Secretary, Mailing General Orders.....	2.53
79	Corrina P. Davie, Inspecting Corps at Schaller.....	1.30
80	Myra O. McFarland, Express on Staffs.....	1.23
81	Morehouse & Co., Printing General Orders No. 4.....	5.00
82	Morehouse & Co., Printing General Orders No. 5.....	2.00
83	Morehouse & Co., Printing Envelopes for Department Secretary .....	5.50
84	Morehouse & Co., Letterheads, Envelopes for Department President .....	6.00
85	Morehouse & Co., Printing Envelopes.....	3.50
86	Morehouse & Co., Printing Envelopes for Department Treasurer .....	2.50
87	Department Treasurer, Rent, Salary, Postage.....	49.33
88	Department Secretary, Rent, Salary, Postage.....	44.33
89	National Treasurer, Supplies.....	254.38
90	National Treasurer, Per Capita Tax.....	287.63
91	Transferred from General Fund to Relief Fund.....	57.53



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92	Department Treasurer, Postage.....	10.00
93	Department Secretary, Postage.....	10.00
94	Department Secretary, Telegrams.....	.70
95	Department Secretary, Registering Reports.....	1.90
96	Department President, Postage, Traveling Expenses....	7.85
97	Jeretta Green, Relief for Soldier's Daughter, R. F.....	25.00
98	Department Treasurer, Freight.....	2.40
99	Department Treasurer, Freight.....	1.25
100	Department President, Hotel Rooms, Auditing Com.....	9.10
101	Department Treasurer, Traveling and Hotel Expenses..	8.50
102	Department Secretary, Traveling and Hotel Expenses..	7.73
103	Captain Wallace Foster, Flags.....	15.50
104	Elsie B. Wade, Traveling and Hotel Expenses.....	5.63
105	Emma H. Sheetz, Traveling and Hotel Expenses.....	6.90
106	Department President, Expenses Auditing Books.....	8.08
107	Department President, Express.....	.45
108	Mrs. G. L. Cooper, Flag Staffs Returned.....	1.25
109	Department Treasurer, Express.....	.43
110	Department Treasurer, Express.....	1.23
111	Department Treasurer, Rent, Salary, Postage.....	49.88
112	Department Secretary, Rent, Salary, Postage.....	54.33
113	Lu L. Schrack, Postage and Printing Circular Letters..	8.30
114	D. W. Bushnell, Supplies.....	1.40
115	Department Secretary, Express on Treasurer's Reports..	.35
116	Morehouse & Co., Printing Letterheads, Envelopes, Etc..	15.00
117	Department Treasurer, Freight.....	1.25
118	Department Treasurer, Express.....	1.54
119	Department Treasurer, Rent, Salary.....	39.33
120	Department Secretary, Rent, Salary.....	39.33
121	Department President, Convention Expenses.....	4.20
122	Jeretta Green, Relief for Soldier's Daughter, R. F.....	10.00
123	Department Treasurer, Postage.....	10.00
124	Department Secretary, Postage.....	15.00
125	Department President, Postage.....	5.00
126	Captain Wallace Foster, Flags.....	32.50
127	Morehouse & Co., Printing Roster, General Orders, Etc..	88.50
128	Department Treasurer, Express and Freight.....	2.13
129	National Treasurer, Supplies.....	400.79
130	Department Treasurer, Rent, Salary, Postage.....	49.33
131	Department Treasurer, Express.....	1.14
132	Department Treasurer, Freight.....	1.00
133	Department Secretary, Rent, Salary, Express.....	39.63
134	Department Secretary, Supplies.....	1.50
135	Department Secretary, Registering Reports, Money Orders	1.08
136	Georgia Wade McClellan, Trip to Lohrville.....	4.00
137	Jeretta Green, Relief for Soldier's Daughter, R. F.....	10.00
138	National Treasurer, Per Capita Tax.....	292.22
139	Transferred to Relief Fund.....	58.44
140	Department President, Postage.....	3.00
141	Department Secretary, Official Trip to Marshalltown and Davenport .....	14.21
142	Department President, Official Trip to Marshalltown and Davenport .....	18.60
143	Morehouse & Co., Printing.....	4.00
144	Department President, Typewriting Convention Roll....	5.18

145	Department President, Telegrams.....	55
146	Department Treasurer, Rent, Salary, Postage, Etc.....	49.51
147	Mary W. Hazard, Traveling Expenses.....	3.12
148	Department Secretary, Rent and Salary.....	39.33
149	Department Treasurer, Express.....	2.28
150	Lu L. Schrack, Postage.....	2.00
151	National Treasurer, Supplies.....	2.60
152	National Treasurer, Supplies.....	96.00
153	National Treasurer, Supplies.....	1.70
154	National Treasurer, Supplies.....	2.18
155	Hattie Ehrmin, Army Nurse, R. F.....	25.00
156	Jeretta Green, Relief of Soldier's Daughter, R. F.....	10.00
157	Captain Wallace Foster, Flags for Patriotic Inst.....	45.25
158	Anna M. Kistner, Expenses of Press Correspondent....	5.23
159	Carrie I. Netcott, Sending Out Credentials, Etc.....	1.67
160	National Treasurer, Southern Memorial Fund.....	57.75
161	National Treasurer, Supplies.....	36.42
162	National Treasurer, Supplies.....	72.52
163	Department Treasurer, Express Bill, Supplies.....	3.58
164	Department Treasurer, Freight Bill, Supplies.....	1.25

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\$5,161.14

#### INVOICE OF SUPPLIES ON HAND MAY 29, 1914.

11 Brouze Pins.	1 General Order File.
6 Gold Pins, 14k.	3 Letter Files.
3 Gold Charms	1 Beath's Blue Book.
6 Rolled Gold Pins	1 Red Book, 1906.
2 Loyalty Pins	2 Sets Supplies for Organizing Corps.
14 Yards Badge Ribbon (Memberships).	1 Large Electro (Badge).
11 Yards Badge Ribbon (Corps Officers).	2 Small Electros (Badge).
6 Yards Badge Ribbon (Department Officers).	1 Electro (Flag and Eagle).
28 Emblems.	6 Electros (Recognition Pin).
3 Corps Charters.	108 Specimen Sheets of Ledgers.
122 Rituals.	97 Specimen Sheets of Cash Books.
7 Corps Service Books.	325 Reports Form W.
53 Rules and Regulations.	17 Patriotic Primers.
400 Applications for Membership.	13 Patriotic Selections.
300 Corps Members' Arrearage Blanks.	4 Independence Charts.
5 Opening Ode, Sheet Music.	19 Mounted Oleographs.
5 Initiation March.	21 Membership Badges.
61 Ode Cards.	43 Officers' Badges.
42 Discharge Cards	7 Silk Flags, 32x48.
33 Visiting Cards.	5 Cotton Flags.
83 Transfer Cards.	14 Iron Stands for Flags.
4 Journals.	94 Silk Salute Flags, 8x12.
9 Ledgers.	7 Empty Badge Boxes.
1 Double Thick Ledger.	125 Ballot Balls.
6 Cash Books.	14 Silk Flags, 12x18.
7 Roll Books.	34 Silk Flags, 16x24.
11 Corps Sec. Order Books.	2 Echoes of Liberty.
3 Corps Treas. Receipt Books	21 Tossing Flowers on the Billows.

Total Value of Supplies.....	\$ 199.19 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
70 Flags, 8x12, furnished Soldiers' Home at Marshalltown..	7.00
Total Value of Supplies furnished Dept. Officers during year.	40.21
Furnished Corps No. 245, Flags Lost, Sent by Mail.....	2.30
Furnished Supplies to Corps Nos. 228-71-124, due from Department .....	1.81
CASH RECEIPTS—For sale of Supplies.....	\$1,625.98

Total .....	\$1,876.49 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
Supplies received from Mira O. McFarland.....	\$ 187.78
Disbursed for Supplies and Flags.....	1,333.88
Net gain.....	\$ 354.83 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
	\$1,876.49 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> \$1,876.49 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>

In closing my work for the year with this financial report of the Department, I extend to our Department President, Secretary and Corps Treasurers, my sincere thanks for the many courtesies extended to me.

Yours in F. C. & L.,  
 CORNELIA T. DODD,  
 Department Treasurer.

## Supplemental Report of Department Treasurer

### GENERAL FUND.

Cash balance June 15, 1914.....	\$5,077.81
Received for Convention Flag Fund.....	1.00
Received for supplies.....	23.05
Total .....	\$5,101.86
Cash expended.....	516.01
Cash balance in General Fund.....	\$4,585.85

### RELIEF FUND.

Cash balance June 15, 1914.....	\$ 436.89
Received for Southern Memorial Fund.....	6.00
Total .....	\$ 442.89
Cash expended .....	6.00
Cash balance in Relief Fund.....	\$ 436.89
Expended from General Fund.....	\$ 516.01
Expended from Relief Fund.....	6.00
Total expenditure.....	\$ 522.01
Cash balance General Fund.....	\$4,585.85
Cash balance Relief Fund.....	436.89
Grand total in hands of treasurer.....	\$5,022.74

## ABSTRACT OF EXPENDITURES.

## No. of Order

165	National Treasurer, supplies.....	\$ 27.86
166	Morehouse and Co., printing General Orders.....	12.00
167	Department President, expenses to Spencer and Ocheyed- dan .....	10.42
168	Department President, expressage, telegrams.....	.87
169	Elsie B. Wade, expenses to and from Ocheyedan.....	17.56
170	Mary E. Snyder, auditing and convention expenses....	10.50
171	Christine S. Romans, convention telegrams and courtesies	4.32
172	Lu. L. Schrack, allowance, patriotic instruction by con- vention .....	25.00
173	Lu. L. Schrack, flags.....	10.00
174	Nancy Clapp, postage, etc.....	1.25
175	National Treasurer, supplies.....	14.36
176	D. W. Bushnell, supplies.....	.65
177	Elsie B. Wade, convention expenses.....	19.86
178	Lu. L. Schrack, convention expenses.....	6.47
179	C. E. Gerling, testimonial National President.....	4.00
180	Sue Browning, stenographic and convention expenses....	22.60
181	Carrie I. Netcott, convention expenses.....	9.50
182	Anna M. Kistner, convention expenses.....	9.75
183	Addie E. Unangst, convention expenses, postage, ribbons	18.50
184	Morehouse & Co., printing President's address, Secretary and Treasurer's reports.....	40.25
185	Department Treasurer, rent, salary, convention expenses	54.01
186	Marie L. Basham, convention secretary expenses and testimonial .....	18.93
187	Janitor Presbyterian church, services.....	10.00
188	Maud W. Smith, convention musician.....	10.00
189	Department Secretary, rent, salary, convention expenses, expressage .....	52.55
190	Department President, testimonial by convention.....	25.00
191	Department President, convention expenses.....	11.70
192	Burlington hotel, room, meals, printed slips.....	56.10
193	Department President, convention expenses.....	12.00
193½	National Treasurer, Southern Memorial.....	6.00

Total .....\$522.01

STATEMENT OF W. R. C. FUND IN THE HANDS OF THE ASSIST-  
ANT ADJUTANT GENERAL, G. A. R., JUNE 15, 1914.

Balance from the Thirty-ninth Encampment.....\$91.60  
Used to date.....\$17.40

Balance .....\$74.20

GEO. A. NEWMAN, A. A. G.

## Report of Department Chaplain

Chariton, Iowa, June 14, 1914.

Alice Cooper,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.

As required by R. and R., I submit my report as Department Chaplain to the Thirty-first Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps:

Number of members in good standing.....	11,689
Number of members taking part on Memorial Day.....	7,898
Number of children taking part.....	28,432
Number of Soldiers' graves decorated.....	18,580
Expense incurred by Corps.....	\$653.36
Number Corps serving refreshments to Post.....	36
Number of Corps contributing flowers.....	197
Number Corps Memorial for the "Unknown Dead".....	139
Number Corps as a body attending the Sabbath Memorial Services	178
Number Corps adjacent to large streams or bodies of water....	70
Number Corps preparing tribute for Sailor-Soldier Dead.....	56
Amount contributions sent for Memorial Day in the South.....	\$64.75
Number of members lost by death, May 30th to May 30th.....	188

I have striven to do the work of the Chaplain to the best of my ability. Attended one District Convention. Assisted on the program of the presentation of a flag to a library. Inspected three Corps and was very courteously received by them. Prepared and conducted a program for our own dear deceased members, No. 17. Wrote one circular letter urging our Chaplains to be sure to send in their Memorial Day reports in due time. Now, I do sincerely desire to thank our Department President and all who so kindly advised me in my duties as Department Chaplain. I am indebted to our Past Department Chaplain, Mary E. Snyder, for courtesies to me, which will not be erased from my mind while I live. Now, my dear sisters, I am exceedingly sorry not to be able to meet with you in the convention I so much desired, but He knows best. I do hope and pray for a successful convention, and that no accident or sickness befall any member of the Woman's Relief Corps or Grand Army at convention. I wish to thank the two Corps, I do not remember the numbers, who sent me the pressed flowers and decorated envelopes with their report.

"Not to ourselves are we living,  
Not to ourselves do we die,  
Freely receiving and giving,  
Soul after soul passes by,  
Parts of one mighty procession,  
Stretching from Eden's first dawn."

Sincerely yours in F. C. and L.,

NANCY CLAPP,

Department Chaplain.



ANNA M KISTNER  
PRESS CORRESPONDENT



ELSIE B WADE  
I. AND I OFFICER



LU L SCHRACK  
PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR



FLORA E POND  
DELEGATE AT LARGE

# Report of Department Inspector

Independence, Iowa, July 1, 1914.

Alice Cooper,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.

Dear Madam:—I have the honor to submit to you and through you to the Thirty-first Department Convention, my report as Department Inspector:

In compliance with our laws, my first work was to appoint Assistant Inspectors and write letter of instructions. Forty-nine sisters were recommended and their appointment approved by Department President.

The work of the Inspectors was performed during the months of September, October and November. The reports of Inspections show that the larger per cent of the Corps are active, doing the work according to the ritual and following the laws governing the Order. The financial report is especially good, only one small bill for inspections being sent to the Department.

There are some weak Corps, but we hope some good live Aide will be able to reach each of these and help build them up again.

## TABULATED REPORT.

Number of Corps in Department August 31, 1912.....	208
Number of Corps in Department August 31, 1913.....	204
Number of Corps reporting.....	195
Number of regular meetings in the year.....	3,681
Number of members in good standing.....	12,376
Average attendance of officers.....	9
Average attendance of members, including officers.....	19
Average fee for initiation, without price of badge.....\$	1.02
Average annual dues.....	.97
Amount of money in General Fund.....	12,558.08
Amount of money in Relief Fund.....	2,288.14

Total amount in Corps' treasuries.....	\$14,846.22
Amount of money expended for relief.....	\$2,318.07
Amount of relief other than money.....	3,378.31

Total amount given for relief.....	\$5,696.38
Amount of money turned over to Posts.....	\$1,242.82
Amount of money expended for patriotic work.....	2,582.52
Number of Corps having full number of rituals.....	166
Number of Corps having made all reports and paid all dues.....	191
Treasurers who notify all members in arrears.....	178
Treasurers who visit and explain laws to delinquents.....	149
Corps reporting members suspended when two quarters in arrears.....	113
Corps that do not do so.....	82
Corps sending quarterly reports to Post.....	165
Corps who do not do so.....	30
Corps working in harmony with Post.....	186

Corps not working in harmony with Post.....	4
Corps sending representatives to last Department Convention.....	143
Corps not sending representatives.....	52
Corps receiving report of Department Convention.....	155
Corps not receiving report.....	40
Corps having ritual memorized.....	83
Corps not having ritual memorized.....	112
Corps having ritual otherwise properly performed.....	153
Corps not having ritual properly performed.....	42
Number of Secretaries doing correct work.....	189
Number of Secretaries not doing correct work.....	6
Number of Treasurers doing correct work.....	177
Number of Treasurers whose work is incorrect.....	18
Corps whose books show they have been audited quarterly by the	

Auditing Committee.....	187
Corps whose books have not been properly audited.....	8

In compiling the report many items of interest show the loyalty and the strength of the Order and its devotion to the G. A. R.

My last official duty was to inspect the books of the Department Secretary and Department Treasurer. They show careful, systematic work, neatness and accuracy. The Department is in fine condition financially, all accounts have been carefully examined and the Department Secretary's and Department Treasurer's books agree perfectly.

To our President, I want to express my appreciation of the honor conferred upon me, and our friendship of years has grown into love, and to thank the Assistant Inspectors for their time and earnestness in doing this work; your reports were good and you gave me ideas as to the needs of the smaller Corps. The year just closing holds pleasant memories of days and duties.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

CARRIE I. NETCOTT,

Department Inspector.





SARAH FOX  
DEPARTMENT COUNSELOR

## Report of Department Counselor

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Muscatine, Iowa, June 16, 1914.

Alice Cooper,

Dept. Secretary, W. R. C.

Madam:—According to the rules and regulations of our Order, I have the honor to submit to you my report as Department Counselor:

My duties as Department Counselor have not been arduous. I have been ready to assist our Department President at all times, and if I have been of service to her, I am well satisfied. In every way our Department President has rendered wise and just decisions and has proven herself fully capable of performing all the duties required of her.

It was a great pleasure to me to attend the National Convention in the capacity of an official. I acted as Assistant Inspector. Also attended several camp fires and social gatherings of our Order.

I wish to thank the Department President for the honor of serving as her Counselor.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

SARAH E. FOX,

Department Counselor.

## Report of Instituting and Installing Officer

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Akron, Iowa, June 8, 1914.

Alice Cooper, Department Secretary.

Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dear Madam:—In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I respectfully submit through you to the Thirty-first Department Convention, my report as Department Instituting and Installing Officer:

After my appointment, I wrote personal letters to many Commanders of Posts, asking their help and co-operation in organizing an Auxiliary to their Post, offering to assist them. I received few answers, and no encouragement. I also visited a number of towns and tried to interest the ladies in the work, but in this was not successful, but through the efforts of our Department President I have the pleasure of reporting the organization of a Corps in the Soldiers' Home at Marshalltown, October 24, 1913, with a membership of thirty-nine, and known as Gen. Sheridan Corps No. 356.

Through the kind courtesy of the Department President I was privileged to visit the Soldiers' Home at this time and assist in the organization of the Corps. January 30, 1914, Jas. Welch Corps No. 270 was reorganized at Orient with thirteen members, by Mary A. Tuttle, Department Junior Vice-President.

June 3, 1914, I had the pleasure of organizing a Corps at Ochey-edan, known as the R. J. O. McGowan Corps No. 357, with a membership of eighteen. I was assisted in this organization by the co-operation of Department Aide Emma R. Meader.

I have inspected five Corps, attended four District Conventions, also the National Convention at Chattanooga, Tenn., and have written one hundred and forty-four official letters during the year.

After the election and installation of officers of the W. R. C., the following reports were received:

One hundred and ninety-eight Corps forwarded reports. Four sent no report. One hundred and eighty-eight installed in January, two installed later; eight failed to give date of installation. One hundred and seventy-eight were installed by members of the W. R. C.; eleven were installed by members of the G. A. R. Nine failed to name installing officer. Ninety-eight Corps held joint installation with Post. No. 73 and No. 200 held joint installation with Post and Sons of Veterans. Sixty held private installations. Sixteen Corps failed to report delegates elected. Eighteen Corps failed to report Alternates.

In conclusion, I wish to express to our Department President my appreciation of serving on her official staff. My relation with the official family has been most pleasant and congenial throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

ELSIE B. WADE,

Department I. and I. Officer.

## Report of Patriotic Instructor

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Parkersburg, Iowa, June 14, 1914.

Alice Cooper,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.

Dear Madam:—Complying with our rules, I herewith send my report of the year's work done by the Patriotic Instructors of the Department:

1. Number of schools visited by Corps Patriotic Instructors....	442
2. Number of schoolrooms in which a flag has been placed.....	587
3. Number of schoolrooms in which the Declaration of Independence chart has been placed.....	44
4. Number of schoolrooms in which the Oleograph of the Origin and History of the Stars and Stripes has been placed....	135
5. Number of schools in which the Patriotic Primer has been placed .....	242
6. Number of Sunday Schools in which a flag has been placed...	251
7. Number of Flag Salute Leaflets distributed.....	1624
8. Number of Patriotic Contests held under direction of Corps..	17
9. Number of Corps in Department who observed Flag Day, June 14th .....	110
10. Number of Corps reporting work done for Humane Teaching.	22
11. Number of Leaflets on Humane Teaching distributed.....	446
12. Number of Bands of Mercy formed.....	3
13. Number of Corps reporting the observance of Peace and Arbitration Day, May 18th.....	41
14. Amount expended for Patriotic Work.....	\$1,730.17
15. Number of Corps who sent in report.....	177

The reports which have been sent to me from the various Corps have been in many cases accompanied by personal letters breathing the patriotism and loyalty of the members of our Order. All of our anniversaries have been faithfully observed and in many instances with grand and elaborate programs.

The amount of work which cannot be reported on our blanks which has been done throughout the state for the cause of patriotism cannot be estimated. I would that I could tell you of it all as the reports have come to me from the hearts of these true and noble women who have had charge of patriotic work in our Corps during the past year. I can only say to you that work has been done for the cause of patriotism and sheaves cast upon the altar of our country that must tend for better citizenship and loyal manhood and womanhood.

Only three Patriotic Instructors sent me name and address, as was provided by ruling of last National Convention. This should be urged upon Instructors as an essential part of their duties, which if properly performed would materially assist Department Patriotic Instructor.

A number of Corps report that all the schools in their vicinity have been supplied with flags. Among them are Nos. 9, 13, 27, 78, 88, 106, 110, 127, 141, 208 and 353. The Early Corps, No. 112, reports \$300 expended for a monument to the unknown dead, and Bedford No. 82, presented a play, the proceeds to start a fund for a monument. Many of the Patriotic Instructors report having reverently placed the burial flags upon the breasts of comrades who have passed over.

Poone, No. 18, reports having purchased a large silk flag with which to drape the caskets of departed comrades. Many Corps are planning work along patriotic lines which will be carried out in the near future. Memorial Day was universally observed and many Corps report having taken part in the exercises, a number furnishing flags for the children who assisted in decorating soldiers' graves. The soldiers were assisted on Memorial Sunday by Corps attending services in a body with them.

Rock Rapids, No. 55, presented a flag to the Boy Scouts; Mt. Vernon, No. 46, has raised \$326 toward a soldiers' monument, and Waterloo, No. 15, has placed 144 flags, one in each school and college room in the city. Shenandoah, No. 250, supplied twenty-six schools with flags and organized the Mattie E. Witter Band of Mercy. The Patriotic Instructor of this Corps answered every question on her report favorably, with the exception of No. 13. Jefferson, No. 251, also formed a Band of Mercy and also answered each question favorably, except failing to give amount of money expended. Guthrie Center, No. 207, also reports forming of Band of Mercy.

Mt. Pleasant, No. 33, placed silk flag in library. Colfax, No. 5, placed two flags in library. Independence, No. 144, placed independence chart and oleograph in city library. Lake City, No. 200, placed oleograph in library and Chariton, No. 17, placed a silk flag in library. Britt, No. 227, placed flag in O. E. S. hall.

Many Corps report having given the service to the sailors and marines by casting flowers upon the water. Corps No. 24 of Des Moines gave a flag to the Jewish settlement house, and reports that all schools in the city salute the flag every morning. Oelwein, No. 281, has presented the Sons of Veterans with a flag and a large flag to the city. Grundy Center, No. 244, presented bunting flags to each school building and silk flags to each department in their schools. Des Moines, No. 27, has presented four flags to different organizations.

Eighteen silk flags have been presented to different schools by your Patriotic Instructor, 2,000 of the small silk flags pinned on the breasts of children and those interested in patriotic work. I have visited 30 schools, presented 3 oleographs, 8 primers, 6 patriotic selections, placed a flag on hall where my home Corps holds meetings, distributed 250 Perry pictures of Lincoln, prepared a synopsis of the Perfect Tribute and sent to each Patriotic Instructor in the state. Personally I have distributed 500 flag salute leaflets. The Department of Iowa has this year presented a parade flag to the Sons of Veterans for use at their meetings and also the large bunting flag which has been given to the Prospect Hill school at Burlington during the 1914 convention, also a large flag to the Presbyterian church where the convention was held.

In conclusion I wish to thank the department president, Mattie E. Witter, for the opportunity to serve her this year in the capacity of

Patriotic Instructor. It has been a year of devotion and beauty, and has formed in my heart new love for the cause. The work is uplifting and the help that has been given to me by the Instructors of the Corps all over our fair state has surely been the means of raising higher the standard of patriotism and love for our flag. I can only pray God's blessings upon each one of you and trust that your reward will be seeing the glorious fruits of your labors.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

LU L. SCHRACK,

Dept Patriotic Instructor.

# Report of Editress and Press Correspondent

Alice Cooper,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.

Dear Madam:—I have the honor to submit through you to the Thirty-first Annual Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, my report as Press Correspondent from June, 1913, to June 1914.

Dailies .....	53
Weeklies .....	183
Dailies giving space.....	54
Weeklies giving space.....	151
Outside papers giving space .....	35
Corps Press Correspondents publishing items promptly.....	103
Corps Press Correspondents not publishing items promptly.....	3
Reporting such items to Corps.....	79
Not reporting such items to Corps.....	24
Sending quarterly reports to Dept. Press Correspondent.....	55
Not sending quarterly reports to Dept. Press Correspondent.....	50
Reporting items of special interest to Dept. Press Correspondent....	65
Not reporting items of special interest to Dept. Press Correspondent	40
Number of Corps in Department.....	203
Number of Corps Press Correspondents reporting.....	110

The honor conferred on me by our Department President was unsought, but was greatly appreciated, as showing her confidence in me, and I accepted it resolved to do my full duty as it was given me to see that duty.

During the year I have received communications from the Corps Press Correspondents from every part of the State, many of these reporting several times, indicating that the ladies of that office are very much alive to their work, and the large amount of clippings that I received from them have been splendid; 110 Press Correspondents have sent excellent reports; 13 of the district conventions sent a complete report of work done, showing that our Department is growing and prospering.

In addition to the press work I have initiated more ladies into our Order (the past year) than any other President, the number being 52. I also had the pleasure of doing work as Assistant Inspector and was in attendance at the Eighth District convention.

To our Department President, Mattie E. Witter, I extend grateful thanks for the honor conferred in my appointment.

In closing would urge each Corps and individuals to subscribe for the "Advocate," (as the paper is coming back to Iowa), and help to make it a permanent and financial success, as an Iowa paper.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

ANNA M. KISTNER,

Retiring Dept. Editor and Press Correspondent.



CARRIE I. NETCOTT  
DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR



## Report of Department Senior Aide and Chief of Staff

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Office of Department Aide and Chief of Staff,

Davenport, Iowa, June 1, 1914.

Mrs. Alice Cooper,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.

Madam:—It is with pleasure that I present through you to the Thirty-first Department Convention the following report of work done by the Department Aides of 1913-1914.

Early in the year with the approval of the Department President I issued a personal letter to each of the Aides, extending a friendly greeting, and urging them to be watchful and earnest, putting forth their best efforts to advance the principles of our Order, urging them to seek to increase the membership, looking carefully after delinquent members, to encourage patriotism, and to strive in every way for the highest success of the Woman's Relief Corps.

In response to this letter from north and south, east and west, came letters full of loyalty, expressing an earnest desire to perform all the duties of the office that had been bestowed upon them. And now I bring to you some of the sheaves that have been gathered in.

Esther M. Spencer, Council Bluffs, Iowa.—Abe Lincoln Corps, No. 180, is not sleeping this year. I initiated ten new members, reinstated five and transferred one. We presented the Post with twenty-five dollars. We certainly are proud this year to have one of our members, Mrs. Mattie E. Witter, for Department President, and I thank her in appointing me as Aide.

Charlena Seidler, Winterset.—I desire to express my appreciation for the honor our Department President conferred on me as Department Aide. I have succeeded in reinstating three delinquent members and added ten new members.

Martha Schug, Strawberry Point.—I will endeavor to do all I can to increase the membership of our Corps.

Carrie Davidson, Clinton.—I feel highly honored to be appointed on the Department President's Staff. No. 10 is getting along nicely, having added ten new members the past year.

Anna Visnow, Akron: I have in the past year done all that I could to make a success of our work. We have one hundred and thirty-three members in good standing. To our Department President I extend love and thanks for the honor conferred upon me as Aide.

Nellie B. Lain, Bloomfield.—I always had the good of our Order at heart and will do all I can to help make this administration a success.

Ida M. Smyth Special Aide, Chariton.—I am Treasurer of our Corps, which consists of one hundred and ten members. We observed Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays in a fitting manner, also presented our library with a flag.

Nancy Taylor, Ames.—It has been my aim to put forth extra efforts that I might thus show my appreciation of the honor conferred.

Cora Waterman, Center Point.—I am doing all I can to make this year a success.

Susie Carter, Monroe.—I esteem it an honor to be an Aide to our beloved Department President.

Lue E. Flewelling, Oskaloosa.—We have been taking in new members all the year. I have only been absent from Corps meeting but once in six years.

Lizzie Sturges, Sioux City.—In performing the duty as Aide I have been instrumental in adding ten members to our roll. I have collected fourteen dollars from delinquent members and visited six Corps.

Mamie L. Norris, Prairie City.—Our Corps is progressing very nicely, and we are trying to make our comrades happy.

Lizzie Brown and Josephine Townsend of Lake City report they feel honored in having their names on the Staff and have worked hard to build up their Corps.

Lucy G. Bond, Denison.—Our Corps is progressing very nicely under the leadership of our worthy President, Christine Romans. On Memorial day the comrades and their wives were the guests of the W. R. C. and enjoyed a dinner served by them at the hotel.

Ella Bronson, Waterloo.—Our Corps has made a large growth since last convention. I am glad to do all I can for the Grand Army.

Lula Belle Esher, La Porte City.—Our Corps is in a good condition and gaining in membership. We entertain the Comrades once a month, serving refreshments.

Jennie Trzcinski, Decorah.—We have one hundred and four member in good standing. I feel proud to be a Department Aide.

Evelyn E. Parke, Menville.—We have placed two flags in the high school and two in the Sunday schools and have responded to all calls from the Department.

Annie C. Fay, Cedar Falls.—No. 26 is in a splendid condition and has added twelve new members during the year. I am so glad to be on the Staff.

May Jones, Des Moines.—It gives me pleasure to report that No. 27 is always "up and doing." I have added five new members to our Corps, also one to our Post. We have presented flags to the Old People's Home, to the Camp Fire Girls, and to several schools. I wish to thank the President for appointing me as one of her Aides.

Lydia W. Nott, Marion.—Robert Mitchell Corps is never "weary in well doing." I thank our Department President for the honor conferred by my appointment as Aide.

Isaphenia Carpenter, Clear Lake.—We have a membership of one hundred and five. At the dedication of the new high school twelve flags were given. The presentation was made by Estella E. Plopper on the part of the Woman's Relief Corps in a very interesting manner.

Mary Boetcher, Davenport.—Am Treasurer of our Corps. During the year we have added several new members, gave a large flag to Ned Lee's Mission and a silk flag to the Second Presbyterian Sunday school on Memorial Sunday.

Mary E. Leming, Des Moines.—I have four new members to my credit this year, have visited the sick and needy, and attended the funerals of several Comrades.

Ldyia Chandler, Audubon.—Am Treasurer of our Corps for the fourth time and attend nearly all the meetings. We expect to erect a soldiers' monument in the near future.

Louise Adler, Ottumwa.—Nothing gives me more pleasure than working for the Corps. We have initiated thirteen members since February and there are prospects for more.

Elizabeth Saunders, Dubuque.—I have enjoyed serving as Aide this year, and have assisted in every way possible in reinstating delinquent members.

The following is a list of the names of the Special and Department Aides who have worked faithfully during the year for the welfare of our Order:

Georgia B. Worker, Davenport.	Adelie St. John, Riceville.
Mira L. Parker, Des Moines.	Rachel Chamberlain, Decatur.
Frederica Philpot, Dubuque.	Adelie Conners, Mason City.
Estella E. Plopper, Iowa Falls.	Laura Boysen, Grundy Center.
Lena T. Ring, Cedar Rapids.	Alice Merlien, Parkersburg.
Marie L. Basham, Des Moines.	Kate Livingston, Spencer.
Sarah A. Fox, Muscatine.	Lena D. Peters, Dunlap.
Ray M. Hanchett, Waverly.	Lucy F. Beckman, Emmetsburg.
Mary A. Brown, Wyoming.	Matilda Smith, Bedford.
Ida M. Smythe, Chariton.	Emily Kerr, Victor.
Nettie Guild, Fort Dodge.	Ella Thomas, Keokuk.
Mary Gantz, Burlington.	Naomi Bradley, Jefferson.
Kate Hanchett, Waverly.	Susan McGuire, Oelwein.
Olyvia Talcott, Maynard.	Martha Ingram, Sac City.
Celia Holman, Mason City.	Mary Millet, Muscatine.
Camilla Hall, Woodbine.	Martha Tripp, Randalia.
Nettie Brown, Council Bluffs.	Josephine Lane, Dubuque.
Mary Abraham, Mt. Pleasant.	Elizabeth Carter, Manchester.
Annie E. Brown, Leon.	Flora E. Bryan, Jefferson.
Laura Belle Walker, Cedar Rapids.	Pearl E. Spencer, Ft. Madison.
Emma E. Willey, Tipton.	Sarah First, Wyoming.
Alice M. Davis, Logan.	Martha Adams, Maynard.
Orynthia Booe, Nodaway.	Elizabeth Brough, Ottumwa.
Ella Bedell, Early.	Louise Clark, Storm Lake.
Ella Hullinger, Glenwood.	Jennie Davenport, Odebolt.
Emma L. Wilson, Center Point.	Arminta Snyder, Brooklyn.
Mary Penfield, Clarion.	Emmeline Thompson, Vinton.
Ella Mawhor, Tabor.	Martha Murphy, Minburn.
Abigail Runkle, Eldora.	Nellie J. Hazard, Marathon.
Angie Dunlap, Clarinda.	May McDonald, Bayard.
Florence Ballentyne, Janesville.	Minerva Sloun McGregor.
Irene Trobough, New Virginia.	Almeda Taylor, Nashua.
Jennie Lockwood, Osceola.	Amy Bennett, Ames.
Myrtus Case, Redfield.	Sarah Tiffany, Oelwein.
Nellie McDonald, Lohrville.	Emma F. Morrison, Fairfield.
Addie C. Fay, Fredericksburg.	Nettie L. Ward, Audubon.
Belle F. Bryte, Shenandoah.	Hattie L. Gilbert, Algona.
Emma S. Bennett, Lenox.	Alice Applegate, Oakland.
Mary A. Tuttle, Woodbine.	Mary E. Lias, Akron.
Sylvia A. Barger, Clarinda.	Sue Browning, Muscatine.
Effie Owen, Marengo.	Viola L. Jones, Cincinnati.
Kate Aikens, West Liberty.	May Flynn, Riverside.

Elizabeth Aisten, Logan.  
 Lottie Leonard, Glidden.  
 Adelia Giffen, Central City.  
 Lauretta Cowles, Chariton.  
 Cornelia McGrew, Logan.  
 Rosa Terrill, Sigourney.  
 Flora Nott, Sutherland.  
 Lida Corbin, Delhi.  
 Emma Harper, Osceola.  
 Julia Jennings, Red Oak.  
 Flora Thomas, Rock Rapids.  
 Mamie S. Willetts, Lenox.  
 Christine S. Romans, Denison.  
 Georgia Wade McClellan, Denison.  
 Jennie Iowa Berry, Cedar Rapids.

Anna V. Coles, Mount Pleasant.  
 Ethel B. Hayden, Lake View.  
 Flora Thorsen, Rock Rapids.  
 May Pier, Dubuque.  
 Margaret Meyers, Missouri Valley.  
 Kate McCurdy, Hazelton.  
 Celia White, Marshalltown.  
 Izetta Shaffer, New Hampton.  
 Virginia Underwood, Emmetsburg.  
 Anna A. Leonard, Toledo.  
 Julia Holmes, Iowa Falls.  
 Delia Manuel, Britt.  
 Julia Fairchild, Walker.  
 Kate Hanchett, Waverly.  
 Nellie Busby, Creston.

There is a sincere regret that space cannot be given for a more complete report of the work done during the year.

The many letters received expressing kindly regard and good will for our Department President proves that the work accomplished by the Aides upon her Staff has been largely influenced by their love for her, as well as a desire to advance the interests of our Order.

To the Aides who have responded so willingly and so readily to all requests my thanks are due. Without their assistance I could have done nothing. I shall never look into faces of many of them, but enshrined within my heart, amid the pleasantest memories of this year will always be a feeling of love and gratitude in recognition of their loyalty and devotion to me and to the work in which we have been engaged.

In closing my report I wish to extend my hearty thanks to the Department President and my appreciation of the honor conferred by my appointment as Chief of Staff.

My year's work with "my president" will always remain a pleasant memory.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

ADDIE E. UNANGST,

Senior Department Aide.

## The Chattanooga Convention

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### Report of Flora E. Pond, Delegate from the Department of Iowa.

To the Department President, Officers and Members of the Department of Iowa W. R. C.:

I submit to you my report as Delegate-at-Large to the Thirty-first National Convention held at Chattanooga, Tenn., September 15, 16 and 17, 1913.

I went to Des Moines on Sunday morning and at 9:30 P. M. met the Iowa delegation who were to go on the special Iowa train. Commander and Mrs. Willetts, Assistant Adjutant Geo. A. Newman; Department President Mattie E. Witter and Mr. Witter, Department Secretary Alice Cooper, Past Department President Marie L. Basham and others were of the party. Our train was under the supervision of Mr. Kline, general passenger agent, and Mr. A. C. Burrows, traveling passenger agent of the C. R. I. & P. and New York Central lines. These gentlemen stayed with us until we were in Chattanooga and looked after our comfort in a way that left nothing to be desired. Our trip throughout was one of pleasure. We arrived in Chicago on schedule time, were taken to the Saratoga Hotel, where we found others from over the state who had arrived during the night. We were joined during the day by many more so that when our train left Chicago there were about 250 Comrades and W. R. C.'s on their way to the Southland. Tuesday morning found us on the borderland of Kentucky; the morning was bright and clear and we enjoyed the scenery through the blue grass region.

As we neared Chattanooga all were eager to catch the first glimpse of Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge, which could be seen from the train. Just as they came into view our train was delayed by some trouble with the engine. We had a wait of about three-quarters of an hour, so all had the chance to get a good view of the two historic battle grounds.

Long before we reached the depot we could see "Old Glory" floating from many of the higher buildings. It was about 2:00 P. M. when we arrived and were met by Comrades and W. R. C. ladies and taken at once to the Eastern Hotel, where Headquarters were established, and our Chief of Staff Addie Unangst opened our rooms, put up our banners and flags and we were ready to receive callers. Many of the other Departments called on us and were welcomed by our President, Mrs. Witter, and Secretary, Mrs. Cooper, and Chief of Staff.

As soon as possible we went to National Headquarters, where we were given our Delegate badges. As National Recruiting Aide, I reported to National Senior Aide and Chief of Staff Lizzie Belle Cross, and was told to report for duty at her room at 9 A. M., Wednesday.

Wednesday morning dawned cold and raining. The parade was to start prompt at 10:00 o'clock, but on account of the rain was a little late. The reviewing stand was on Market street, but on account of the rain many seats were not occupied. The line of march was one mile

long through the principal streets of the city. Comrades who had fought in some of the fiercest battles of the Civil war, some of them on the same ground they were on then, marched in a steady down-pour of rain, and were greeted all along the line by the waving of flags and hearty cheers from thousands of people. Directly across from the reviewing stand was the Living Flag, composed of the children of the South. It was truly an inspiring sight to see them and hear them cheering the boys in blue as they marched by, each child waving our dear red, white and blue.

Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock an open meeting of the W. R. C. was held in the First M. E. church. An immense crowd was in attendance, completely filling the audience room. The church was beautifully decorated with flags, pink and white asters and American Beauty roses. From the balcony hung the pennants of the various states represented. After prayer by the National Chaplain, Sara Brown, and singing by the audience, National President Geraldine E. Frisbie then read her annual report of the year's work. While the report seemed long it was good from the beginning to the end and contained many good thoughts and suggestions, showing a thorough knowledge of the work of the Order along all lines.

Following the President's address Hon. John B. Lewis of the National Patriotic Instructors' Association explained the work of the Order. Response was made by Sophia Strathearn, National Patriotic Instructor.

Daughters of Veterans brought greetings from their organization. Response by Lizzie Belle Cross. Tribute to the Blue and Gray was given by little Mary Van Flank of Wisconsin, in a poem to the flag. She said she belonged to both armies for her grandfather wore the gray and her father wore the blue. Several handsome gifts were then presented to National President Mrs. Frisbie from her Aides and associate officers, after which impressive Memorial Services were held for our loved ones who have gone before, conducted by National Chaplain Sara L. Brown.

Rousing campfires were held at several places each evening. Prominent G. A. R. men, W. R. C. women and citizens were among the speakers. As one entered the large Auditorium the sight that met one's eyes was magnificent. The immense room was almost completely filled. The decorations were beautiful; there were flags, banners, pennants and bunting everywhere and the committee on decorations are to be congratulated on the artistic display of our National colors. The Department Commander of Tennessee presided and a splendid program was given. A hearty welcome to all visitors was extended by the Mayor of the city. A letter was read from the Governor of Tennessee expressing his regret at not being able to be there, but extending the right hand of fellowship to all.

Wednesday evening the National President and Staff held a reception in the large ball room at Hotel Patten for the Commander in Chief, Alfred M. Beers, and his Staff, the receiving line being stationed at the south side of the room guarded by a detachment of Sons of Veterans and Ladies Aides. The decorations here were of the national colors in flags and bunting. Music was furnished by the Seventeenth Regiment Band of Ft. McPherson.

Thursday morning at 9:00 o'clock convention opened for the first regular business session. The church was too small to seat all voting

delegates on the lower floor so a part of them had to sit in the gallery. After some delay all were located and the meeting was called to order by the President. Past National Officers were then introduced. There were thirteen Past National Presidents present.

A committee from Daughters of the Revolution brought greetings.

Mrs. Cole of Chattanooga brought greetings from the two Corps of the city and the Department of Tennessee.

Minutes of Wednesday afternoon session read and approved. Many more elegant gifts were presented National President, Senior Vice President and Secretary, also gifts were presented to Department Presidents. While the giving of these beautiful gifts as a testimonial of the love and esteem we have for our leaders has become a custom, it was the voice of the convention that the presentation of gifts should be postponed until after all business has been transacted as many of the ladies are at a great expense to attend the convention and feel they must get all they can of the convention as soon as possible.

S. V. President, Mrs. Ball, held up for our inspection an Admiral's flag, made on board the Olympia, four large white stars in a field of blue.

Luncheon was served in the Sunday school room of the church for the delegates by the two Corps of the city, assisted by the Ladies' Aid of the church.

Thursday afternoon session convened at 1:30. Roll call found 400 voting delegates present.

Nominations for National President were: Isabell Worrel Ball, Washington, D. C.; Belle Bliss of Nebraska; Carrie Bahrenburg of Illinois; Lois M. Knauff of Ohio, and Ida S. McBride of Indiana. All nominated declined in favor of Ida S. McBride, who was unanimously elected National President, and the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the convention. Chloe A. Warren of Connecticut was then elected S. V. P.; Mahala A. Archer of Tennessee, J. V. P.; Abbie Lynch, Treasurer; Sarah Bradford of Montana, Chaplain.

Delegations from the G. A. R. then were introduced, each Comrade giving to the W. R. C. the greetings of their convention.

Delegations from the Sons of Veterans and Ladies of the G. A. R. from Maine were then admitted, each one bringing greetings for the order they represented. Response to all greetings were given by Past National Officers of the W. R. C.

Friday morning convention opened promptly at 9:00 o'clock by Senior Vice-President Isabell Worrel Ball. After prayer by Chaplain and the Opening Ode, the minutes of Thursday afternoon meeting were read and approved.

The President then took the gavel and proceeded with the business of the session. The five members of the Executive Board were then elected.

Committees on the reports of the National Officers read their reports, showing faithful, painstaking work on the part of each officer.

There were fifty-six resolutions to be considered by the convention. Many of them brought out much discussion. Some important changes are to be made in the Rules and Regulations and Ritual. The last six resolutions were left with the committee.

The hour was late, but Mrs. Ball, S. V. P., had her report on the "Desecration of the Flag." She did not want to take up any of our

time, but the convention insisted on hearing the report, so she consented to read a part of it.

It is a great pity she could not have given the report earlier in the day for the benefit of all the Delegates. It was deeply interesting and instructive and should have had a better hearing. Installation of officers was the next order of business.

Past National President Agnes Hitt acted as installing officer; Carrie Sparklin, Past National President, conductor, and Harriet J. Bodge, Past National President, Chaplain. The following officers were duly installed:

National President—Ida S. McBride, Indiana.

National Senior Vice President—Chloe A. Warren, Connecticut.

National Junior Vice President—Mahala A. Archer, Tennessee.

National Treasurer—Abbie Lynch, Pennsylvania.

National Chaplain—Sara J. Bradford, Montana.

National Counselor—Abbie A. Adams, Nebraska.

National Secretary—Sara C. White, Indiana.

National Inspector—Marie L. Basham, Iowa.

National I. and J. Officer—Ella Stevens, Missouri.

Patriotic Instructor—Sophia Strathearn, Wisconsin.

National Press Correspondent—Mary M. North, Virginia.

#### Executive Board—

Regina Demarest, New York.

Nellie Dodge Whitbeck, Michigan.

Mary Brown, South Dakota.

Lizzie Belle Cross, California.

Mary Rockhold, Texas.

#### Ways and Means Committee—

Geraldine E. Frisbie, Chairman, California.

Mrs. Hampton, Michigan.

Mrs. Bahrenburg, Illinois.

Resolutions of thanks were offered by the session to the citizens of Chattanooga for their boundless hospitality, to members of Chattanooga W. R. C. and Pastor C. H. Myers and members of First M. E. church for the use of the church for the business sessions of the convention.

The thanks of all G. A. R. and W. R. C.'s were extended to the committee on decorations for the magnificent display all over the city. The buildings and streets were made brilliant by the innumerable flags, pennants, bunting and electric lights used. It was truly a grand spectacle and Chattanooga is to be congratulated upon gorgeous decorations everywhere.

We visited the National Cemetery where 3,511 of the known dead, and 2,334 of the unknown dead are buried. As we looked over this vast resting place of so many brave men who gave their lives for their country we felt we were on hallowed ground, made so by the blood of fathers, husbands, sons and brothers who had responded to our country's call in her hour of peril.

Chickamagua, Missionary Ridge, Lookout Mountain and other places of interest were visited. Much time was spent in the War Museum on Lookout Mountain and on the point of rock overlooking Moccasin Bend.



We called at the union depot and saw the "General," the engine made famous by the Andrews Raiders in April, 1862. It has been given a prominent place in the depot and will remain there permanently as a monument to American valor.

In conclusion, I wish to thank all who made this trip to the Thirty-first National Convention possible for me. It has been the means of bringing me into a closer relationship with those in authority and has strengthened my desire to work for the Comrades and our loved Order. Again I thank you.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

FLORA E. POND,

Delegate-at-Large.

Oskaloosa, Iowa

Oct. 20, 1913.

Approved

Mattie E. Witter, Department President.

Alice M. Cooper, Department Secretary.



MARY R SNYDER  
CHAIRMAN EX BOARD



EMMA SHEETZ  
MEMBER OF BOARD



MARY W HAZARD  
CHAIRMAN HOME BOARD



ELIZABETH BEAL  
MEMBER OF BOARD

## Report of Auditing Committee

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Burlington, Iowa, June 17, 1914.

Department President, W. R. C.:

We, the undersigned committee, have examined the books of the Department Secretary, Alice Cooper, and Department Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd, and compared receipts and vouchers for moneys received and disbursed for the Department year 1913-14, and find that the amount on hand as shown by cash book corresponds with amount of cash in bank and shows balance as follows:

General Fund .....	\$5,077.81
Relief Fund .....	436.89

The books are in excellent shape and we have reason to congratulate the Department of Iowa on the faithfulness of these officers.

In F. C. and L.,

MARY E. SNYDER,

CARRIE I. NETCOTT,

Appointed to fill vacancy.

## Report of Relief Committee

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Tabor, Iowa, June 1, 1914.

Alice Cooper,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.

Dear Madam:—The Department Relief Committee respectfully submit the following report of money expended for relief during the year, as follows:

Hattie Erhman, army nurse, Dec. 20, 1913.....	\$25.00
Jeretta Green, soldier's daughter, Feb. 2, 1914.....	25.00
Jeretta Green, soldier's daughter, Mch. 24, 1914.....	10.00
Jeretta Green, soldier's daughter, Apl. 20, 1914.....	10.00
Jeretta Green, soldier's daughter, May 19, 1914.....	10.00
Hattie Erhman, army nurse, May 16, 1914.....	25.00

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

ABBIE HANLEY, 314,

SYLVIA H. BARGER, 71,

EMMA S. BENNETT, 136.

## Report of Soldiers' Home Board

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Mrs. Alice Cooper,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.

I have the honor to submit the following report:—Our Department President, Mrs. Mattie E. Witter, Mrs. Alice Cooper, Department Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Hinman, Mrs. Celia White and Mrs. Mary W. Hazard visited the Home in all departments. All is being done by the Commandant and his official staff for the comfort of all its inmates. We saw the food which was given them to eat. It was good, appetizing and plenty. Mrs. Newell, Superintendent of Nurses, reports that jellies will be appreciated; also cushions for chairs, 18 inches square, and bed pads, may vary in size. We visited the morgue, stood by the bier of a Comrade who had gone to answer the last roll call.

Number of men present .....	481
Number of women present .....	184

Total present .....	665
Number of men absent .....	279
Number of women absent .....	148

Total absent .....	427
Number of men in hospital .....	138
Number of women in hospital .....	41

Total in hospital .....	179
Total membership of Home .....	1,092

Respectfully submitted,

MARY W. HAZARD,  
MARGARET HINMAN,  
CELIA WHITE.



J. W. WILLETT  
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

# Report of Department President to Department Commander

Council Bluffs, Iowa, June 16, 1914.

J. W. Willet,

Commander Department of Iowa Grand Army of the Republic.

My Dear Commander:—It is with pleasure I present for your consideration this report of the work done by your Auxiliary during the past year.

Number of Corps in the Department, June.....	203
Number of Members in good standing.....	11,689
Total number Members in the Department.....	12,258
Balance in the Department General Fund.....	\$5,977.81
Balance in the Relief Fund.....	436.89
Total cash in Department Fund, May 29, 1914.....	5,514.70
Cash expended from Department Relief Fund.....	162.75
Cash expended for Relief by Corps.....	2,103.51
Estimated value of Relief other than money.....	4,591.37
Total value of Relief during the year.....	6,857.63
Total number of persons assisted.....	1,891
Amount of cash turned over to Posts by Corps.....	1025.33
Amount expended for patriotic work.....	1,739.17
Amount of money to Southern Memorial Fund.....	63.75
Value of flags presented to Jennie Wade Memorial, Sons of Veterans, School, Church.....	52.25
Value of donations to Soldiers' Home .....	362.41
Value of donations to Orphans' Home .....	90.27
Number of burial flags furnished Soldiers' Home.....	70

Pledging the continued loyalty of the Woman's Relief Corps and wishing you a successful ending of your administration, I remain,

Yours in F. C. and L.,

MATTIE E. WITTER,

Department President.

# Proceedings of Convention

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Senior Vice President: Ladies, you have listened to this most splendid report of our Department President. What is your pleasure?

Estella E. Plopper, No. 48: Mrs. Senior Vice President, I move that this most complete and comprehensive report be received and referred to the proper committee. Seconded by Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83, who added that a rising vote of thanks be given our President for her very able address, placing especial attention upon the fact that she closes her year with not one delinquent Corps. Motion carried.

Senior Vice President: Ladies, you have heard this motion that we receive this splendid report. Just think of it, not one delinquent Corps. All in favor rise. All arose; motion declared carried.

Department President: I thank the convention.

The Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Washington Gardner, and his National Aide, Mr. Murphy, were announced in waiting, also J. M. Storrar, Chairman of the General Committee of Burlington.

Department President: Color Bearers, attention! Conductors, you will present these gentlemen at the platform. Georgia Wade McClellan, you will assist by conducting the Commander-in-Chief.

Department President: Ladies of the convention, I have the high honor to present to you the head of our whole organization, the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Washington Gardner. Also his National Aide, Mr. Murphy, and J. M. Storrar, Chairman of the General Committee, of Burlington. Convention, salute these distinguished gentlemen. (Applause.)

Commander-in-Chief Gardner: Mrs. President and Mrs. National President, and ladies of the convention:—You are just in the midst of your work, that which has brought you here, and the noon hour will soon be here when you will of necessity have to adjourn if you share in the parade; so I will not detain you with any extended remarks. I bring you the greetings of the 180,000, perhaps less rather than more, of the surviving members of the Grand Army of the Republic. We have in the nation a number something like 430,000 surviving veterans of the Civil War, judging from the last report of the pension commissioner, but you see we have quite a little less than 200,000 in the Grand Army of the Republic. And yet all the real help in the way of legislation for the veterans has come through the efforts of the Grand Army of the Republic. So we feel we are sort of a representative body in the mind of the public. They think all veterans are Grand Army men. I wish everyone who participated in that great struggle might become a member of our organization, and the best influence we have to get members in is the Woman's Relief Corps. I find they are giving special attention to this phase of the work. In some localities they find out the men who served in the war and make



it mighty uncomfortable for them until they join us. When a woman's heart is in a work she leaves nothing undone. And in this way the Woman's Relief Corps is serving as in days before in recruiting. Another, and there are many ways, another is in keeping members from lapsing for non-payment of dues. Now it may be thought by some, "Why every old soldier gets a pension and therefore he ought to pay his dues." With dues and debts and high cost of living it is a debatable question; and if he does not own a home and pays rent, and even if his wife should dress exceedingly modestly and plainly and he lives humbly and confines his buying purely to the necessities, and live for thirty days on his pension, he must spend much of his time sharpening his pencil so that he may figure out how to make both ends meet. (Applause.) So it becomes a real task to keep up his membership in the Grand Army of the Republic. I have found this in different states. Of course assistance should be through the proper channels of Post Commander or Quartermaster as the case may be. And another thing, do not let any wife of a Comrade be dropped from your roll for non-payment of dues if unable to pay them. That has saved many a Comrade to our Order and the strength of our Order is your strength as well as ours.

Every veteran should belong to us. Everything in the way of legislation put on the statute books of the nation from year to year in any way favorable to the veterans of the Civil War has been put there very largely through the influence of the Grand Army of the Republic. (Applause.) And what benefits the Comrades benefits his wife, and when a Comrade is gone, his wife becomes the sharers of the care of the government and that benefits her, and if she has minor children leaning upon her support is appreciated.

I was down in Washington a short while ago and went over the pension matters with the Senate committee and took up with them the bill that seeks to remove the time limitation from widows. You remember that law was passed making ineligible to pensions widows of any soldier, barring certain special exceptions, who were married to the soldier after June 27th, 1890. That will be twenty-four years now in a few days. If any woman was married to a soldier since that date and her husband dies she would be ineligible to a pension. Now, my wife says a woman who has lived with an old soldier for twenty years ought to have a pension. (Laughter.) And so we are doing the best we can to get the limitation removed. The bill has been reported favorably by the committee. The chairman said it would carry if it comes up and if it does not come up at this session it certainly would come up later. The Grand Army of the Republic has set its heart on this legislation and we will not stop until we get it. (Applause.)

I did not mean to talk so long. I do appreciate this great organization. I did not know the wide reach of the patriotic work you are doing—I did not realize it until lately. Everywhere I have been I have seen the influence of your patriotic education. Everywhere I go I find the Woman's Relief Corps doing the same kind of work, and on behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic I want to thank you for the spirit and aims and work of your splendid organization. (Applause.)

Mr. J. M. Storrar: Ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps and Mrs. President, I feel embarrassed. I was not last night because there were men there, but as I stand before this audience of beautiful women,

I am embarrassed, but I am pleased, indeed, to be here. It is a great honor to me, and I came more to see than to make a speech; came because perhaps my coming would more impress the warmth of your reception to our city. The members of my committee, of which I am chairman, have had a great many things to do, but it has been a great pleasure to receive your society and I want to assure you we outsiders appreciate your work. The way in which you have received me has been far bigger reward than I anticipated. I am sure you are doing an exceptional work and that you will continue. We talk about the hardships endured by the men, but I know the ladies of the war—I am not speaking to any of them now. You all are far too young to have lived at that time—who were left behind had far greater odds to endure. The men who fought the battles had it hard enough, but the loyalty of the women who were left behind must not be forgotten. (Applause.)

I happen today to be two men in one—I am also a trustee of this church and assure you it is a great pleasure to find such an assembly here in this church. I hope you will put up with the workmen—we were sorry to have to have them here at this time. But if they annoy you we will have them wait until you are gone. Ladies, I thank you.

Department President: We are glad to have the Commander-in-Chief with us in our convention and the National President and Past National President. Our own Past National President, Jennie Iowa Berry, will respond.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: Mrs. President, Commander-in-Chief, Comrades, and members of the convention—I wish I might be touched with the fire of eloquence that I might say to the Commander-in-Chief the things this convention would like to have said.

Each year the Department of Iowa looks forward to the day of Department convention. We plan for it, and dream of it, and often sacrifice to attend it. And when the week of realization comes, amidst the fast flying hours of the sessions there is one shining hour that stands out above all others, and it is the time the Boys in blue come bringing their chief of the Grand Army of the Republic with greetings.

We always have a welcome for our Iowa Comrades for the beautiful bonds of friendship there is between us; and as our heads become a little grayer their visits become dearer. And when they come bringing with them him who is supreme in leadership of your great organization, then, indeed, do we consecrate ourselves anew to our chosen work.

Four years ago they brought one from Minnesota to whom we were not strangers. And again one whose wife had rendered us efficient service and whom we all loved. Afterward a Commander-in-Chief from Illinois, just across our border; and now comes one whose military record, whose record in time of war is only rivaled by his record in time of peace, who brings the greetings of thousands of the boys from the rank and file of the Grand Army of the Republic, whose presence is a confirmation of the bond between them and ourselves. What can we say? We renew our pledge of fealty and that pledge we will keep faithful to the end.

Mr. Commander-in-Chief, we thank you, and Mrs. National President, we thank you both for your presence here today. You have added to our convention, have renewed our zeal in our work, and for your greetings accept the thanks of the Department of Iowa. (Applause.) The Comrades were presented with badges and escorted from the room.

convention standing singing, "Marching Through Georgia," and giving chautauqua salute.

Department President: This is the hour set for our memorial service, which is in the hands of Margaret Hinman and I will give way.

### MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Margaret Hinman: Ladies of the convention, the hour is here for the memorial services and we will begin at once. First is music—an organ solo, "My Rosary," by Maud Whedon Smith, No. 117.

Prayer by Mrs. Hinman: Dear Father, the hour has come, that quiet, sweet, solemn hour that we shall list to that honored roll of the dead and call to mind sweet memories. Let us remember the message that came from the Lord, "Be still for I am God." We ask that guiding hand and comforting that come to us from Him when we are bereaved. Be with us in this service and at last bring us with those who have gone out before. We ask for Christ's sake, amen.

We will now hear the quartette, "Somewhere the Sun is Shining," by Messrs. J. H. Kratz, J. Langenberg, G. S. Siefel, T. H. Zanier.

Reading, "Just Over the Hill," by Lulu C. White of Oskaloosa:

Just over the hill is a valley serene,  
With Amaranths blooming and verdured in green.  
Not the sun, nor the moon, nor the stars shed their light;  
They are needed no longer, for there is no night.  
And a peace rests upon it, like dew on the sod;  
As if it were kissed to its calmness by God.

Just over the hill is a river that flows,  
Bringing health, bearing blessings wherever it goes.  
No prow marks its surface, no storm stirs its deep;  
It is peaceful as Heaven, and restful as sleep.  
And far from it linger all discord and strife,  
As it flows on forever, that River of Life.

Just over the hill there is music, too sweet  
For such as are mortal to catch and repeat.  
There are harp-tones and voice-tones that mingle in one,  
And the strain is unceasing; it never is done.  
Oh, what wonder such music the spirit should move  
When its theme is Salvation, its burden is Love.

Just over the hill once again I shall see  
The loved and the lost who are waiting for me.  
Their faces are shining; their garments are white;  
They walk among lilies and live in the Light.  
Their joy is surpassing their peace is sublime,  
Unchanged through the gathering cycles of time.

Just over the hill, ah! my life will begin,  
When freed from this desperate struggle with sin;  
The Life that is real and lasting and blest,  
With its marvel of rapture, its fullness of rest.  
I will strive as I suffer, and strive with a will  
Till that new life commences, just over the hill.

Just over the hill there's a welcome for me  
From the Hand that was wounded on Cavalry's tree.  
I can bear all privations and sorrows and pain  
That Presence to reach and that handclasp to gain.  
Let me learn to be patient, submissive, and still,  
While I wait for that welcome, just over the hill.  
Vocal solo by Mrs. Weideman of Burlington. "Some Sweet Day."



JENNIE LATHROP WHEDAN  
PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT

## Tribute to Jennie Lothrop Whedon, Past Department President

By Estella E. Flopper, Past Department President

Jennie Lothrop Whedon, daughter of Caleb Bailey Lothrop and Jane Hatch, was born in Johnson County, Vermont, July 8th, 1852. Her parents came west to Rock Island, Ill., the same year, and in 1856 removed to Fort Des Moines, where they lived until 1862, when they went to Winterset. This became the family home. In 1871 Jennie was married to Mr. W. S. Whedon, a prominent citizen, and Cashier of the First National Bank of Winterset. God called her suddenly into His presence August 21, 1913.

Of the six children who came to bless this home, two died in infancy; Raymond, who served in the Spanish-American War, died in 1911, at the age of thirty-four years. Mr. Whedon and three daughters, Mrs. Maud Smith, Mrs. Nelson Bertholf, and Winifred, survive Mrs. Whedon.

When the sad message came, "Mother died suddenly this evening with a stroke of Apoplexy, living an hour after the attack," my mind could scarcely grasp its contents. Mrs. Berry and myself had so lately returned from Winterset, where we had been privileged to visit Mrs. Whedon after the Des Moines Convention, it seemed impossible she could have left us. Instantly, in spirit, we were within the fine, old home, set like a jewel in its spacious grounds. The spirit of true hospitality inhabited the quiet, restful rooms, and our dear friend was her deft hand-maiden, supplying unspoken wants, and devising plans for our comfort and pleasure. It seemed impossible that ministering spirit had departed.

Dear, brave Jennie Whedon. A good citizen, a loyal friend, a devoted wife and mother, and ardent patriot.

The sudden death of Mrs. Whedon was a great blow to the people of Winterset, where she had resided for more than fifty years, where she had been identified with every movement for the upbuilding of the town. A leader in church, school and literary circles, her death is a distinct loss to Winterset. An editorial in one of the local papers says: "Probably no other woman in Winterset was so prominently associated with the affairs of the community as Mrs. Whedon. Hers was a busy life, engaged with public affairs, yet finding time for a kindly interest in all her friends. She will be missed in many a home circle, where her friendship was prized and where her memory will long be cherished." She was a valued citizen.

Mrs. Whedon was a loyal friend. Her friendship was so steadfast and of so broad a character, it did not require constant companionship or communication to feed it. You learned to count on her loyalty. You knew her friendship once won, was always yours, and anticipated the bright smile and firm hand-clasp which marked her greeting. Her fine presence, strong character and intellectual gifts made her a

natural leader. Her keen sense of humor and brilliant repartee made her a delightful companion, while tempering all, was a broad toleration for the mistakes and weaknesses of humanity. Unselfish and helpful she looked at life from many angles, thus getting the viewpoint of many. Her attitude was that of the poet:

"Let me live in my house by the side of the road,

Where the race of men go by—

They are good, they are bad, they are weak, they are strong,

Wise, foolish—so am I."

As wife and mother, Mrs. Whedon was truly "the pillar of the house, or the fire upon the hearth, which else were colder than a stone," for she was the central fire, around which the family revolved, from which it drew warmth and tenderness. The relations between her daughters and herself were ideal. Mother and sister in one, her monument is in their hearts and lives erected by her wise teachings and noble example.

"God wanted a heart so tender,

As to feel the breath of life.

He wanted a hand most gentle

To soothe in the time of strife.

He wanted an eye to sparkle

When other eyes were cold,

And lips to wear a smile of love

Above the pain untold.

God wanted a faith so constant

That time could work no change;

He wanted a way so winning

That manly powers should range

Themselves about that being

And give the homage due,

And so God made a mother

And gave her to me and you."

Mrs. Whedon was very proud of her descent from her Grandfather Hatch, who was a Revolutionary soldier. Love of country and the flag were inborn, and she was interested in all patriotic work. She was instrumental in organizing Pitzer Relief Corps No. 117, and was its President for more than twenty years, bringing the Corps to a high state of efficiency. She soon became interested in Department work in the Order, and re-districted the State while Department Inspector. She was elected Senior Vice-President of the Department in 1902, and was chosen Department President in 1910. Her devotion to the Grand Army of the Republic and the principles of the Woman's Relief Corps, coupled with her well-known enthusiasm and activity, made her administration a success. Her influence and work along patriotic lines was greatly valued, and her place in the Woman's Relief Corps of Iowa was permanently established.

She has gone, but the good she has done will always live in the hearts of those who have known and loved her. Her wish that she might not pass away after lingering illness was granted, for while dressing to go out for the evening, apparently as well as usual, the CALL CAME, but it found her prepared we know and, relying on Divine love, the spirit of Jennie Lothrop Whedon went calmly through the Valley of the Shadow of Death.

"When on my day of life the night is falling,  
And in the winds from unsunned spaces blown  
I hear far voices out of darkness calling  
My feet to paths unknown.

Thou who hast made my home of life so pleasant,  
Leave not its tenant when its falls decay;  
O Love Divine, O Helper ever present,  
Be Thou my strength and stay.

Be near me when all else is from me drifting;  
Earth, sky, home's picture, days of shade and shine,  
And kindly faces to my own uplifting  
The love which answers mine.

Suffice it if—my good and ill unreckoned,  
And both forgiven through Thy abounding grace—  
I find myself by hands familiar beckoned  
Unto my fitting place.

There, from music round about me stealing,  
I fain would learn the new and holy song,  
And find at last, beneath Thy trees of healing,  
The life for which I long.'

She was my friend. I loved her. This appreciation of the life and character of Jennie Lothrop Whedon, gained through more than a quarter of a century of uninterrupted friendship, is affectionately dedicated to her memory.

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CHARLES A. CLARK  
PAST COMMANDER G. A. R.

## Tribute to Past Department Commander Charles A Clark

By Addie E. Unangst, Past Department President

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Charles Amory Clark was born in Sangerville, Maine, January 26, 1841, and was the son of William and Elizabeth Clark, and a descendent of Hugh Clark, who settled in Watertown, Mass., in 1640. He was married December 10th, 1863, to Miss Helen C. Brockway. He received his education in the common schools of Sangerville, Foxcroft Academy, and by home study. He began teaching school in 1856, when fifteen years of age, "boarding around" until he enlisted as a soldier in the Civil War.

Col. Clark was the first man to volunteer from his county, and was one of the very first to answer the call of President Lincoln for volunteer soldiers. He enlisted at Foxcroft, Maine, April 24th, 1861, in Company A, Sixth Maine Infantry. He successfully filled the office of Corporal, Sergeant, and Second Lieutenant in the Company in which he enlisted. He remained with his regiment until honorably discharged because of wounds, February 1st, 1864. He returned to the service in April of that year, having been commissioned by Abraham Lincoln as Captain and Assistant Adjutant General of Volunteers. He was again compelled to resign on account of ill health and wounds. He participated in nearly forty battles between Washington and Richmond. He was in the battle of Cold Harbor with General Grant, where 10,000 men were lost before breakfast. He was with Baldy Smith in his successful charge on the works of Petersburg, and the engagements around that stronghold and Richmond. For bravery at Rappahannock Station, Colonel Clark was brevetted Lieutenant Colonel. This famous engagement followed the battle of Gettysburg, and the stirring events succeeding the battle of Mary's Heights. This encounter was one of the most deadly of the Civil War. Of the charge in which Colonel Clark achieved distinction, of the twenty-one officers engaged, sixteen were killed or wounded.

Being broken down in health and suffering from the wounds he had received, Colonel Clark resigned in the Fall of 1864 and returned to his old home in Maine, with a war record of which any man might have been justly proud. The Colonel then took up the study of law with A. W. Paine of Bangor, one of the foremost lawyers of the state.

As there were few railways when Colonel Clark left Maine to come west, he traveled either on horseback, or with livery teams, and in stage coaches. He was instrumental in getting the first railway through, acting as attorney for John L. Blair, when he built what is now the Illinois Central from Iowa Falls to Sioux City.

Colonel Clark came to Cedar Rapids in 1876 and remained there until his death, which occurred on December 22nd, 1913.

He was elected Commander of the Department of Iowa in Boone in 1906, the same year I was elected Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps. Always kind and courteous to me, his memory will ever be lovingly cherished. Colonel Clark was a soldier, a scholar, a man of culture. He was devoted to his friends, to his comrades, to the Woman's Relief Corps, and to the Grand Army of the Republic, that he loved and served so well.

We shall meet, but we shall miss him,

There will be one vacant chair.

We shall linger to caress him,

While we breathe our evening prayer.

Margaret Hinman: Sisters, for the long roll of honored, promoted workers I will not call you to your feet. The Department Secretary will read the names.

Department Secretary Alice Cooper read the Memorial Roll, as follows:

### MEMORIAL ROLL.

Jennie Lathrop Whedon.....Past Department President  
 Sarah Hannah Brown.....Army Nurse

Corps	Corps
No.	No.
3—Newton:	24—East Des Moines:
Margaret Carnes	Ann Ricketts
Martha Smith	Hattie Monk
4—Wyoming:	26—Cedar Falls:
Mary A. Hanna	Eva Peck
6—Grinnell:	Mary Hemerling Weight
Harriet Snow	Fannie E. Aitken
Jean Noble	Sarah J. Harrington
9—Marshalltown:	Mary Philpot
E. Bunie	Sarah Townsend
Rose Liebig	27—Des Moines:
Julia Canfield	Rebecca Moss
Elizabeth Towner	Maggie Canine
10—Clinton:	Elizabeth Brewer
Mary Conrad	C. Acklin
11—Cedar Rapids:	Adelaide Liddle
Harriet Hemingway	28—Brooklyn:
Malinda Vedder	Rebecca McAninch
15—Waterloo:	30—Clarion:
Anna Lasure	Julia Fox
Eliza Jeremaison	33—Mt. Pleasant:
17—Chariton	Anna Rangborn
Mattie E. Hall	34—Davenport:
19—Eldora:	Sophia Osborn
Mary E. Haas	Katherine Eagel
20—Fort Dodge:	37—Dubuque:
Ellen Marsh	Kittie Shank
Mary A. Magennes	Addie Nitteraner
21—Fairfield:	Hattie F. Millard
Isabella G. Smith	Kittie Printy
	Jane Kendall

## Corps

No.

- 41—West Union:  
Hannah Manning
- 42—Victor:  
Mary J. Howard  
Anna McArthur
- 45—Washington:  
Jennie Gardner:  
Miriam Jones:
- 46—Mt. Vernon:  
Sue Ballard
- 48—Iowa Falls:  
Ella H. Benshoof  
Mildred Haines
- 50—Scranton:  
Phoebe Platt
- 55—Rock Rapids:  
Christine Appel
- 56—Denison:  
Emma L. Hunt  
Ella Weeks  
Annette Wheeler
- 58—Decorah:  
Ella Sayre
- 61—Fredericksburg:  
Mary E. Van Anken  
Melissa Thomas
- 62—Burlington:  
Lydia M. Peabody
- 69—McGregor:  
Elizabeth Robinson
- 71—Clarinda:  
Mary A. Shumacher  
Lorella Blair  
Emma Ritch
- 72—Mason City:  
Susie Nelson  
Clara Burkhardt  
Frances Gibson  
Arvilla Smith
- 74—Clear Lake:  
Rachel Gilmore  
Ann Waskie  
Elizabeth Rich  
Lillian E. Crozier  
Emile Schmidt  
Emma Leonard  
Mary Phillips
- 78—Iowa Falls:  
Cora R. Fracker  
Sarah Hatch  
Margaret Reese  
Ella Hughes  
Sarah E. Sangster

## Corps

No.

- 82—Bedford:  
Sarah McCoun  
Rachel Beck
- 83—Waverly:  
Sarah Sturdevant
- 87—Sioux City:  
Nancy Waddington  
Sarah J. Dott  
Mrs. J. Reynolds
- 88—Welman:  
Fannie Oldaker
- 89—Strawberry Point:  
Mrs. A. D. S. Cooley  
Alpha Moine
- 98—Ames:  
Carrie Minert  
Ellen Cole
- 99—Webster City:  
Sarah Burgur  
Vina Payne  
Rachel Iliff
- 103—Walker:  
Mary Butterfield
- 104—Corning:  
Mrs. S. S. Scott
- 105—Sutherland:  
Martha Ward  
Nancy A. Short
- 106—Central City:  
Sarah Moore  
Mattie Finson
- 108—Humboldt  
Harriet Tellier
- 109—Williamsburg:  
Lizzie Keegan  
Mary Evans  
Mary Schooley
- 113—Manson:  
Sarah Holdren
- 117—Winterset  
Olivia Faurote  
Mary Husted  
Jennie Whedon  
Josephine Bowlsby
- 121—Charles City:  
Angie I. Dennis  
Mary A. Brookins
- 122—Muscatine:  
Mary Whicher  
Ella Smith
- 123—Waukon  
Esther Dowling

Corps No.	Corps No.
124—Anamosa: Caroline Brown Mary T. Ketcham Charlotte K. Stacy	202—Riverside: Emily A. Webster Bell Sims
129—Maynard: Delphine E. Baxter	205—Nodaway: Mrs. Mary Marsh
134—Ottumwa: Lauretta Joseph Carrie Smith	208—Algona: Angie Waterhouse
136—Lenox: Lettie Evans	212—Wilton Junction: Hudusa Perry
140—Greenfield: Rebecca Sinclair	216—Woodbine: Serrenia Tucker Flora Porter California Crane Sarah Clark
141—Creston: Henrietta Autenreith Sarah Godfrey	230—Missouri Valley: Mrs. Sarah Neufind
147—Nevada: Sarah A. Boyd	232—Lohrville: Sarah Arnott
148—Belmond: Elizabeth O'Bright Florin Pritchard	242—St. Charles: Cassie Burger
152—West Liberty: Emeline Smith Sarah Gibson	245—Akron: Jennie Waterbury Jennie Raish Emma Shaw
154—Indianola: Louisa Austin Sarah Gordon Frances Hunting	251—Jefferson: Viola Wilkinson Elizabeth Grace Mary Ann Johnson
163—Emmetsburg: Belinda A. Yockey Mrs. H. Hudson	253—Maquoketa: Arvila Hutchins Melissa Branscomb
166—Ireton: Maggie Montgomery	258—Edgewood: Sarah Richards Sarah Palmer
170—Knoxville: Jennie Powers Hannah Miers Martha Phinney Sarah Ball	264—Red Oak: Matilda Spicer Cora E. Mason Edna Cleaver I. C. Sanders
171—Marengo: Elizabeth Schonborn	277—Garden Grove: Mary Parrish Mattie Bartlett
180—Council Bluffs: Maria Williams Sarah A. Craig	279—Vinton: Dolly Aikley Hetty Hannah
181—Sheldon: Marietta Davis	281—Oelwein: Kate O'Brien Elizabeth Ayers Sarah Hannah Brown Allie Chase
190—Clarksville: Minnie Wood Sarah Russell	283—Logan: Lydia Cowan
192—Nashua: Mary E. Smith	
200—Lake City: Roxanna A. Smith	

Corps  
No.

- 287—Spencer:  
Adah Stephenson  
Amanda Bender  
Lillian Watts
- 295—Wall Lake and Lake View:  
Elizabeth Scandrett
- 299—Dubuque:  
Bessie Ryker
- 303—Sheffield:  
Mrs. Frank Morris
- 307—Osage:  
Olive Willis
- 312—Glenwood:  
Maggie Trisler
- 321—Schaller:  
Jennie R. McConkey
- 325—Hawarden:  
Edith Bennett  
Ellen Abby
- 327—South Ottumwa:  
Flora Grider  
Iva Bradford

Corps  
No.

- 329—Dayton:  
Fern Irvin
- 334—Hazleton  
Mary Walker
- 335—Toledo:  
Mrs. C. Wilson
- 336—Lamont:  
Mary Dozark
- 337—Madrid:  
Elizabeth Simons
- 339—Menville:  
Mary Van Norman
- 349—Marathon:  
Ella Crabb
- 353—Cherokee:  
Violet Snodgrass  
Emma Stiner
- 356—Marshalltown:  
Hattie Powell

Margaret Hinman: The hour is past, the record is made. To some of us who have listened to this roll we learn the first time the name that was dropped out of their work in the Woman's Relief Corps. There are 207 vacant chairs in the Relief Corps of Iowa, 207 homes have been bereft, and how many of us have a tender chord for those gone out. Who does not recall the tremulous voice of Commander Clark, that large hearted, good man.. Who cannot recall the face of Jennie Whedon—struck by a sudden blow into eternity. I had hardly gotten home last year before suddenly the word came, "Jennie Whedon's work is done." Where will the bolt fall this year? Sisters, I think when the time comes each year for the memorial service it should take precedence over any other work of the convention. I will call you to your feet while we pay a silent tribute to the dead; we will salute them in solemn silence for a few moments. (Convention stood with bowed heads.)

Prayer by Mary E. Snyder: Heavenly Father, may the Holy spirit soothe our sorrowing hearts, and we pray Thou'lt fill us with Thy hallowed presence as we come to Thee. Soothe us now. Our hearts are broken by the loss of loved ones, and as we close our eyes to the world and see them by faith in Thine own and better Kingdom, we pray for Thy comforting presence. We are weary today and sad on account of the absence of our Chaplain, who stands at the threshold of the Glory-land. We are bowed down in earnest prayer, our Father, that if it be Thy will, she may be restored to us. Hold back a little while as our prayer ascends to Thee, Father, and may the Holy fingers of love fill the alabaster box and carry it to her sick bed and bring her soothing and rest. Father, may the earnest wish of this convention be heard in her behalf. Our Father, as we stand in Thy

Holy presence, wilt Thou be with all the sisters assembled here this morning, and if one in the coming year shall be called into the better service and hear the voice saying, "It is enough, come up higher." Father, we pray she may not go down into the shadows without Thee, and may we all strike glad hands in Glory. Father, we thank Thee for memory. We believe it will live forever, else how would we know our Blessed Lord and Savior when we see Him.

Be with us Father today, and if we have done wrong to any one, forgive it; if we have proved unfaithful to Thee, oh Father, forgive it, and let those in Thine own presence this morning feel Thy comforting care. Bless those who remained at home and in the homes bereft breathe the balm of consolation. We ask Thee, Father, that Thou'lt be with the comrades this afternoon in the parade. Many before the year is closed will have to pass over. Lord, remember all they have endured, and Father, may it count with Thee in the Eternal reckoning, and may their names be written in the Lamb's Book of Life. Hear us, Father, as we pray that prayer Thou didst teach Thy Disciples in the days of old: Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in Heaven. And give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever, amen.

Lena T. Ring, No. 11: I move we adjourn until after the parade, and the first order of business shall be the election of officers. Motion seconded by Fannie E. Wardan, No. 62. Carried.

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### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION—JUNE 17th, 1914.

Convention was called to order by Department President Mattie E. Witter, No. 180, at 3:30 o'clock p. m., after the parade.

Past Department Chaplain, Margaret Hinman, No. 148, opened the session with prayer.

Margaret Hinman, Past Department Chaplain: Dear Father, we are glad we can come to Thee at morning, noon and night; Thou art ours just the same. Wilt Thou be with us this afternoon? Stay our hearts and hands and minds. May all we do be in accordance with fraternity, charity and loyalty, and by Thy dear presence guide us and direct us, and at last save us, we ask for Christ's sake, amen.

Convention sang the opening ode and repeated the flag salute.

### PRESENTATION OF SONS OF VETERANS.

A delegation from the Sons of Veterans were reported in waiting and were escorted to the platform with the colors and introduced.

Department President: Ladies of the convention, I have the pleasure of presenting Mr. J. S. Leash, Mr. Burbank and Mr. Kincaid, the committee, and Mr. E. E. Egan, Secretary of the Commercial Club. Convention, salute.

Mr. Burbank: Mrs. President and ladies of the Relief Corps, on behalf of the Iowa Division of Sons of Veterans, I bring you greetings and will now take the pleasure of introducing to you Mr. Frank Kincaid, who will address you.

Mr. Frank Kincaid: Mrs. President and ladies of the Relief Corps of the Department of Iowa, on account of your presenting a beautiful Division flag yesterday to us, we beg for another opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation. You took us a little by surprise. Only four of the boys were in town at that time, but they were sober. Today we have thirty-five in attendance and they are all sober. (Applause.) I wish to present you these resolutions passed by our encampment:

To the Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps: Your kind committee, in presenting to us the beautiful Division flag yesterday afternoon, most assuredly took us entirely unawares. Those officers and members whom you found at home, even though every one of them at times makes a good speech, were so surprised that they confess to having only barely mumbled a poor answer.

By unanimous vote, the Iowa Division, Sons of Veterans, wish to extend most sincere gratitude and thanks from every camp, every officer and every member, to you, our beloved sisters in patriotism, and to state that your action is but a repetition of your many kindnesses in the years that have passed, and that words are indeed futile in expressing our feelings in the matter. We can only again repeat our loving gratitude and remain ever submissive to your wishes and direction.

FRANK H. KINCAID,

WM. T. S. LASH,

JOHN C. NORRIS,

Committee.

We also, on behalf of Governor Clark and Staff, extended hearty greetings for the part assigned them in the reception given Tuesday afternoon at the Hotel Burlington in honor of our National and Department Officers. Past Department President Frederica Philpot, No. 26, responded in behalf of the convention.

Frederica Philpot, No. 26: Members of the convention, it is indeed pleasing to the Woman's Relief Corps to receive the Sons of Veterans. We feel more than ever the time must come when the Sons will have to assume the great responsibility of sharing with us the work of Memorial Day. The veterans are passing and another generation must take up the work they leave. We know the time is not far distant when there shall be plenty of work for you. We are pleased to receive you today and extend our thanks for your hearty greetings.

Mr. E. E. Egan: Mrs. President and ladies, it has been some toil and responsibility in entertaining so large a crowd as is in Burlington this week, but we have done the work gladly and I come before this body to express greetings to you and say we will be better citizens, better folks because of your coming.

I wanted to give you this little clipping—a letter from Abraham Lincoln to a lady in Boston, Mass., who had lost her sons in the war.

"Dear Madam: I have been informed by those of the War Department that you are the mother of five sons who gave their lives for their country. I feel how weak and futile must be any words of mine which should attempt to beguile you of a loss so overwhelming, but I cannot refrain from tendering to you the consolation that may be found in the thanks of the Republic they died to save. I pray the



heavenly Father may assuage the anguish of your bereavement that leaves only the cherished memory of the loved and lost and solemn pride to have laid so costly a sacrifice upon the altar of freedom."

Ladies, I thank you. (Applause.)

Sarah A. Fox, No. 122: I feel unprepared to respond to this speech we have just listened to. I am very much interested in the Sons of Veterans. We have a camp in Muscatine, but the young Sons of Veterans seem to be too busy to attend to the offices and it has finally disbanded again. We had a camp of sixty members. I think I am going to start them up again. I think if Frank here comes to Muscatine he is going to help me and we are going to have a Sons of Veterans in Muscatine. We think you Sons will soon have to assist the Woman's Relief Corps in taking care of the old soldiers, and will keep patriotism alive in the states as well as in the United States.

The Sons were presented with convention badges and escorted from the room by Conductors and Color Bearers, convention singing "Battle Cry of Freedom" with heartiness.

Department Secretary Alice Cooper called the roll of Department Officers and the following responded: Department President, Mattie E. Witter; Senior Vice-President, Fannie E. Ward n; Junior Vice-President, Mary A. Tuttle; Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd; Secretary, Alice Cooper; Inspector, Carrie I. Netcott; Counselor, Sarah A. Fox; I. and I. Officer, Elsie B. Wade; Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack; Editress and Press Correspondent, Anna M. Kistner; Chief of Staff, Addie E. Unangst; Chairman of Executive Board, Mary E. Snyder.

Convention Secretary, Marie L. Basham read the minutes of the morning session. Minutes were approved.

Department President: We are now ready to hear the report of the Credential Committee.

### REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE.

Sue Stanwood, No. 122: Mrs. President, I will read the report of the Credential Committee. The credentials filed were as follows:

Department Officers.....	11
Past National Officers.....	2
Past Department Officers.....	16
Corps Delegates.....	96
Corps Presidents.....	35
Past Corps Presidents..	85
Total.....	245

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

ALICE COOPER.

SUE STANWOOD.

JULIA I. JENNINGS.

LAURA BELLE WALKER.

IDA M. SMYTH.

Department President: The Districts will be counted by the chairman who will report the number in her delegation as her District is called. The Department President requested that all Past Department Officers be counted in their respective Districts.

Department Secretary called the roll of Districts, to which the response was as follows:

1st District.....	8	7th District.....	17	12th District.....	22
2nd District.....	9	8th District.....	21	14th District.....	7
3rd District.....	8	9th District.....	16	15th District.....	8
4th District.....	5	10th District.....	18	16th District.....	30
5th District.....	9	11th District.....	18	17th District.....	30
6th District.....	8	12th District.....	10		
Total.....				245	

Moved by Estella Plopper, No. 48, seconded by Mary Brown, No. 20, that the Credential Roll be opened and a late delegate admitted, making a total of 246 voting members.

Department President: Nominations are now in order for Department President.

Georgia Wade McClellan: Mrs. President and members of the Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, it has been my pleasure to nominate many, and today I take great pleasure in presenting the name of a woman for the office of Department President who is faithful to the Order, who has executive ability and who has held many offices in both her home Corps and in the Department. She was Department Patriotic Instructor and this year is Inspector, and her work has always been entirely satisfactory; has been done in a prompt and efficient manner. I have watched this woman with interest. She is the daughter of a veteran. Her father served in the Ninth Iowa, and today two members of his company are in the encampment. But all this is not necessary. Last year she was nominated, but withdrew, and this year we hope you will elect her. If you do, she will fill the office with credit to the Department, with credit to herself and credit to the National. I nominate Carrie I. Netcott.

Nomination sustained by Addie E. Unangst, No. 34; the 9th District; the 4th District; Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56; Frederica Philpot, No. 26; 3rd District; 5th District; Marie L. Basham, No. 24; Margaret Sterling, No. 62; Flora E. Pond, No. 286; the 16th District; the 15th District; the 11th District; Lena T. Ring, No. 11; Mira L. Parker for 13th District; Della G. Miller, No. 58; Ella Thomas, No. 100; 1st District; Nora Bryson, No. 45; 17th District; Rachel Chamberlain, No. 167; Sue Stanwood, No. 122, for 10th District; Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83; Emma Gould, No. 356; Nettie Ward for 6th District; 2nd District; Mary Fisher, No. 20; 7th District; Anna M. Kistner, No. 15; Lulu Belle Esher, No. 153.

Department President: Are there other nominations?

Belle Julian, No. 15: Mrs. President and ladies of the convention, I place in nomination our Department Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack of Parkersburg.

Nomination of Lu L. Schrack was sustained by Kate Hanchett, No. 83.

Lu L. Schrack, No. 14: Ladies, I wish to withdraw my name from before this convention. I cannot run against my friend, but next year if you would like to bring my name up I will not withdraw. (Applause.)

Sadie Householder, No. 17: Ladies of the convention, I wish to place the name of a woman for your consideration; one who has been in the work for 24 years; one whom many of you know. She has



ADDIE E. UNANGST  
CHIEF OF STAFF

served as President of her Corps three years in succession, and successfully. She has been Assistant Inspector eight years and is now in her fifth year as Treasurer of our Corps. Should you honor her with this office, I am sure you would not regret it. The name I wish to present is Ida M. Smyth of Chariton.

The nomination of Ida M. Smyth was sustained by Alice Becker, No. 17; Emma Larimer, No. 17.

Ida M. Smyth, No. 17: Ladies, I wish to withdraw my name as a candidate for Department President this year, though the ladies of my Corps think the honor should come to me at this time. I thank you. Nomination closed.

Eliza I. Moyer, No. 38: I move that the Secretary be instructed to cast the entire vote of this convention for Carrie I. Netcott for Department President. Seconded by Lu L. Schrack, No. 14, and carried.

The Secretary cast the vote and Department President declared Carrie I. Netcott elected Department President for the ensuing year. Mrs. Netcott was escorted to the platform by Lu L. Schrack, No. 14.

Department President: Ladies of the convention, this is the dear woman you have elected to be your President. Convention, salute. (Applause.)

Carrie I. Netcott, No. 144: Mrs. President, officers and members of this convention, you cannot know how much I appreciate this unanimous election. My strength and efforts and talents will be for the Woman's Relief Corps for the ensuing year, and if you give me the support throughout the year that you have given me today, the year will be successful. Again I thank you. (Applause.)

Mrs. Netcott then asked that her mother might be presented. She was escorted to the platform and introduced by her daughter.

Mrs. Netcott: Ladies of the convention, this is my mother, Helen R. South, President of the Corps at Dubuque.

Department President: Convention, salute this mother and daughter. Nominations are now in order for Senior Vice-President.

Margaret Hinman, No. 148: If there is one thing in this world that I like to do it is to put some one in nomination that I think you would all like to have fill the place. The one I wish to name is well known to you all. She is our Stenographer and has "stenoged" for the different Presidents here. She has told many stories and always truthful ones. They have been other people's stories for her stories ring true. We sent her once for Delegate at Large. The one I would name is before you; you can all see her. It is Sue Brown-ing, our Convention Stenographer. (Applause.)

The nomination was sustained by Christine Snyder Romans., No. 56, who said she intended to make the nomination, and as Margaret had got ahead of her she would second. The 5th District; Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56; Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83; Elsie B. Wade, No. 245; the 8th District; the 10th District; Lu L. Schrack, No. 14; Ella Thomas, No. 100; the 17th District; Mary F. O'Brien, No. 144; the 9th District; the 5th District; the 15th District; the 7th District; the 2nd District; the 16th District; the 11th District; the 12th District; the 1st District; the 6th District. Nominations closed.

Estella E. Plopper, No. 48: Mrs. President, it gives me great pleasure, as there is only one candidate, to move that the Secretary

be instructed to cast the entire ballot of this convention for Sue Browning for Department Senior Vice-President. Motion seconded by Fannie E. Warcan, No. 62, and carried. The Secretary cast the ballot of 246 votes and Department President declared Sue Browning elected Senior Vice-President for the coming year.

Department President: Come Sue, we must introduce you to the convention. Ladies, she can do my work, but I cannot do hers. I take pleasure in presenting to you your choice for Senior Vice-President. Convention, salute.

Sue Browning, No. 122: Ladies, I thank you for this honor and pledge to you my best efforts during the year.

Department President: Nominations are now in order for Junior Vice-President.

Estella E. Plopper, No. 48: Mrs. President and ladies of the convention, I bring to you in nomination today the name of a woman who has been a loyal Corps worker for a good many years; whose home cares have prevented her from taking an active part in Department work. For the last year or two she has been able to come to convention, and the more we see of her the more we love her. We love her dearly. The woman is the wife of a soldier and in honoring her you honor her husband. Mrs. President, it gives me great pleasure to present the name of Mrs. Della L. Milliman.

The nomination was sustained by the 4th District; 5th District; Christine S. Romans, No. 56; Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56; Ida M. Smyth, No. 17; Lena T. Ring for the 11th District; Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11; Belle Senn, No. 20; the 7th District; Elizabeth Carter, No. 29; the 13th District; Laura Belle Walker, No. 11; the 15th District; the 8th District; the 6th District; the 12th District; the 1st District.

Lauretta Cowles, No. 134: Mrs. President, I want to place in nomination Louise Adler of No. 134. She has been a Claim Agent, and got pensions for widows for 23 years. She has been our Corps President for three years.

The nomination was sustained by the 16th District.

Louise Adler, No. 134: I want to thank my Corps for the honor they have done me. It is true I have been working for the old soldiers and their widows for twenty-five years in getting pensions. I love the Woman's Relief Corps, but my work takes my time, and I must withdraw my name for this time, and perhaps another time I will consider it. Nominations closed.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: Mrs. President, I move the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of this convention for Mrs. Milliman for Junior Vice-President for the ensuing year. Seconded by Naomi Bradley, No. 251, and carried. The Secretary cast the ballot and Department President declared Della Milliman elected Junior Vice-President for the coming year. (Applause.)

Department President: Ladies, this is your Junior Vice-President, the right arm of her husband, Comrade Milliman, who is one of those who shows evidence of the great sacrifice made in the war. She has taken great care of him. Convention, salute your Junior Vice-President. (Applause.)

Della Milliman, No. 283: I am so surprised I do not know what to say. I thank you very much.

Chairman of Telegrams and Greetings, Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56, announced that committee would like to send a telegram of greetings to Department Chaplain, Nancy Clapp of Chariton, who was very ill. Motion made by Mary E. Snyder, No. 24, seconded by Louise Adler, No. 134, that greetings, flowers and badge be sent to Department Chaplain. Motion carried.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: Mrs. President, we have a Past Department President who is not able to be with us on account of illness, and two who have had sorrow. Mrs. Hutchison and Mrs. Griffith each lost her husband, and Georgia Worker is ill. I move that the greetings of this convention be sent to them. Seconded by Elsie B. Wade, No. 245, and carried.

Motion by Georgia Wade McClellan that greetings be sent to the Departments of Oregon and Wisconsin, which are in convention at this time. Seconded by Sarah A. Fox, No. 122, and carried.

Motion by Sarah A. Fox, No. 122, and seconded by Mary F. O'Brien, No. 144, that we send a telegram to Mr. Netcott, announcing the election of his wife as Department President. Motion carried.

Department President: Nominations are now in order for Department Treasurer.

Mary E. Snyder, No. 24: Ladies of the convention, I desire to place in nomination a woman who has been before the last two conventions; one who is faithful, earnest, careful, and deserving. I think it is unnecessary to take one minute of the time of this convention to say more. I place in nomination, Cornelia T. Dodd, our present efficient Treasurer.

Miss Dodd's nomination was sustained by Jean D. Tompkins, No. 74; 3rd District.

Christine Snyder Romans: Ladies of the convention, I take great pleasure in bringing before this convention the name of one we love and ask for your ballots. She is in every way competent, I know, for I used to belong to her Corps. I wish to place in nomination, Mary W. Hazard of No. 24, Des Moines.

Nomination of Mary W. Hazard was sustained by Marie L. Basham, No. 24; Frederica Philpot, No. 26; Elouisa Byers, No. 28; the 4th District; Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56; Mira L. Parker, No. 27; Dawn Tullis, No. 27; 13th District; May E. Jones, Lena T. Ring, No. 11; Mary Rogers, No. 26; 15th District; Laura Belle Walker, No. 11; 11th District; Kate Hanchett, No. 83; Mary Fisher, No. 20; Anna Steigerwalt, No. 98.

Nominations were declared closed. Candidates escorted to platform and introduced to the convention.

Margaret Hinman, No. 148: Mrs. President, I have held in abeyance my annual motion. However, I still hold it in my grasp, and if I hear any cheering I will make the motion. I give you fair warning. Let us remember the one who loses and have only kindly thoughts for one another. I hold my motion in abeyance.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: I wish to answer Margaret Hinman that she must remember that we have delegates here that do not know what her motion is.

Margaret Hinman, No. 148: I will tell them. When the result of the ballot is given, only one can be elected, and I always feel sorry

for the one who is defeated, and out of consideration for her, we should refrain from cheering the successful one. The victorious can afford to be magnanimous. Sisters, be true to the thoughts of fraternity, charity and loyalty. (Applause.)

Department President appointed the following ladies to act as tellers of the election: Hattie L. Gilbert, No. 208; Jean Powers, No. 356; Elsie B. Wade, No. 245; Mrs. Zenie Gifford, No. 27; Amy C. Capron, No. 24. Ballot was taken and tellers retired to count same, and convention proceeded with the work.

Chairman on Telegrams and Greetings, Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56, proceeded with the reading of the greetings from Mary M. North, National Press Correspondent; Captain Wallace Foster; Cora M. Davis of Oregon, Past National President, Department of Ohio; No. 180 Corps, Council Bluffs; the home Corps of Department President and Secretary, and nineteen others, no time to read. Motion made by Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56, seconded by Sarah A. Fox, No. 122, that the report of the committee be accepted, greetings be placed in the journal and committee be continued until all are answered. Motion carried.

Department President requested Mrs. Berry to call a meeting of the Resolutions Committee and consider the resolutions presented by Shelby Norman Corps, that it might have early action.

Estella E. Plopper reminded the delegates it was the custom to caucus to nominate district delegates to the National Convention.

### **PARTIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.**

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: Mrs. President, I will read this resolution:

**WHEREAS**, It is a fact that the loyal women of the Civil War period proved their loyalty, manifested their courage, and endured hardships equally with their soldiers, and by their devotion demonstrated their willingness to serve without being sworn into their country's service.

Muscatine was the banner county in the proportion of enlisted men and their womankind was no less patriotic, and we deem it altogether befitting that we, upon whom their mantle has fallen, should interest ourselves and our associates in the matter of an appropriate memorial to these truly loyal women.

**THEREFORE**, Be It Resolved, That Shelby Norman Woman's Relief Corps No. 122, Department of Iowa, petition Department Convention to ask the General Assembly of Iowa to appropriate a sum sufficient to erect such memorial to be a state institution, and pledge to them all assistance within its power for the accomplishment of this enterprise.

**RESOLVED**, That this memorial shall be a Civil War Museum erected at the capital city, to contain relics and mementos of the Civil War, as may be obtained, many of which are held at present time in the Post rooms of the Grand Army of the Republic, and which may be secured when the various Posts disband by reason of the veterans being mustered out.

**RESOLVED**, That this Civil War Museum shall afford a place for the collection and preservation of the records and literature of both the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps, and shall be Department Headquarters of these two organizations.

RESOLVED, That the children of the public schools under the supervision of the Woman's Relief Corps shall be asked to contribute their sums, and thus have a part in this patriotic undertaking.

Thus we believe we will honor our loyal women of '61 to '65 and have an institution that will attract the people from our entire state and others, who will travel many miles to visit and study this illustrated lesson in patriotism. Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L. Sue Browning, Sue Stanwood, Jane Barnard, Kate Parvin, Sarah A. Fox, Committee. Approved by Mary Millett, Corps President.

Jennie I. Berry, Chairman: The members of the Resolution Committee were reasonably familiar with the subject matter of this resolution; and with all due respect and affection for the members of Shelby Norman Woman's Relief Corps, we have thought best to disapprove. I have asked the members of this committee to speak to you and tell the convention their reasons for this action.

Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56: Mrs. President and members of the convention, this resolution is one that is very near to my heart, and for that reason I give it much thought. I have been in correspondence with the curator of the historical building at Des Moines and later paid a visit to the building. Mrs. Romans was with me. We were shown all around and found that one of the rooms was devoted to the Grand Army of the Republic for relics, and they are so anxious to get the relics from all over the state. Now, I am only talking for myself, and expect to hear from others on this subject. I think that while the historical building is preserving the relics, we do not need to go to any further trouble about having them taken care of. When it comes to headquarters, there is a special headquarters where the members of the Grand Army and the Woman's Relief Corps can meet, and as for headquarters for the Woman's Relief Corps at Des Moines, it does not seem to me hardly feasible. That would require the officers to live at Des Moines, or at least the Secretary and Treasurer, and therefore, it would almost force us to elect Des Moines women to these offices. I think this would not be right, and therefore do not approve of it. I think it was very kind of Shelby Norman Corps to think of a memorial to the loyal women of the Civil War, but we do not need the proposed building at this time. I think I have said all I want to on this subject, and we are to have the others speak on it.

The tellers were ready and their report was called for. Whole number of votes cast, 230. Necessary to choice, 116. Mary W. Hazard, No. 27, received 143. Cornelia T. Dodd, No. 208, received 87.

Department President: Ladies, you have elected Mary W. Hazard for Department Treasurer for the coming year.

Mrs. Hazard was escorted to the platform by Christine Snyder Romans.

Department President: Ladies of the convention, I have the pleasure of presenting to you your Treasurer for the ensuing year, Mary W. Hazard. I declare her elected. Convention, salute.

Mary W. Hazard: Ladies, I thank you.

Lena T. Ring, No. 11: Ladies of the convention, the committee has very carefully considered this resolution, as has been stated, and doubtless many of you are familiar with the resolution so we can intelligently act upon it. I think all credit and honor should be given



to this Corps for their thought on this matter. It certainly is a beautiful idea and would be a grand thing if it could be carried out. Were not provisions now made for most of the things it includes, we might act on it differently. I do not think the General Assembly should be asked for an appropriation. That is one thing I know a little about—what it means to the General Assembly to be asked for an appropriation—my husband being a member of that representative body. I know something of the problems they have to meet, and if any committee has as grave problems as the appropriations committee, I do not know it. I remember their last session their budget was something like seven million dollars, and the things asked for were many. You know they have so many people to please, and have so many institutions, and so many things, it takes an enormous amount to keep them all up. Seven millions were asked for, and they had two and a half millions to distribute. What a task they had before them; and as I say, it is a beautiful thought, but I would not like to go on record as favoring it at this time. The resolution provides for headquarters for both organizations. The Grand Army of the Republic, as you doubtless know, already has headquarters. If our headquarters were established there it would only be an added expense upon our Order. As to the relics and mementos and records, such a place has been provided in the historical building. So I think it best for this convention to not go on record as favoring this resolution.

Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56: I think it is beautiful of Shelby Norman Corps to propose this. I was heartily in favor of it until my visit to the historical building last Monday in company with Mrs. McClellan. It is certainly wonderful the provision that is made for the Grand Army of the Republic. They are so anxious to have anything pertaining to the war; relics of all kinds, or anything they can get. Ample space is given. They are so enthusiastic to have anything pertaining to the Woman's Relief Corps or the Grand Army of the Republic in that building. We saw Aunt Beckey's picture. They wish to get anything; letters written during the war, or anything that is a memento of the Civil War, and they will be preserved and placed on exhibition. It is wonderful, wonderful. They said if they could get the names of any one who had anything of the kind, they would dig them up. They are so anxious to get such things they are willing to pay the expense of sending them to Des Moines. As Mrs. Ring said, it would be such an added expense to the legislative body, and for that reason I am not in favor, personally, of the resolution.

Mary A. Tuttle, No. 140: Members of the convention, I had received a copy of these resolutions and had given considerable thought to them. I had thought it would be a beautiful thing to do, were it not for the provision already made, but at this time I feel like all the rest of the committee, that it would be an enormous expense.

Department President: What shall be done with the report of the committee. Motion by Mrs. Balcoff, No. 355, that the report of the committee be accepted. Seconded by Kate Hanchett, No. 83.

Amy C. Capron, No. 24: Mrs. President, I am from Des Moines, and we love to think "Des Moines does things." I am not in favor of this resolution.

Mrs. Heesch, No. 34: I was in favor of it, but if there is room in the historical building for everything, I think we do not need anything more.

Department President: Has not Shelby Norman something to say on this subject?

Sue Stanwood, No. 122: Mrs. President, we did have something to say. We are ready to present the matter as we see it. But since the committee has killed the resolution, we do not think it necessary to try to do anything further about it.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: Your committee gives only the opinion of four women. If the resolution is killed it will be by the convention.

Mrs. Squires, No. 261: Mrs. President, I was instructed by my Corps to be sure and vote for this resolution, but I think if they could have heard the talks by the committee they would be perfectly willing to have me vote against it.

Sarah A. Fox, No. 122: After we have heard the report of the committee, I for one from Shelby Norman Corps am willing to accept the decision of the committee.

Question was put and carried.

Department President: Nominations are now in order for Department Chaplain.

Mira L. Parker, No. 27: Mrs. President, I have a name to present for the office of Department Chaplain, Mrs. Emma Sackett of No. 117, Winterset. Mrs. Sackett is an elderly woman, was an army nurse and the wife of a soldier. She is not present in this convention, but was present at the Department Convention at Muscatine three years ago. You will remember her as the lady who presented the badge to Jennie Whedon. She was a dear friend of Mrs. Whedon, and is well qualified for the position of Chaplain, and her friends believe that she will feel highly honored if she is elected to this position. I nominate Mrs. Emma Sackett of No. 117, Winterset.

Seconded by Irene Connoran, No. 117; Mrs. Chamberlain, No. 130.

Past Department President, Marie L. Basham, No. 24: Mrs. President, I have not made a nomination today and would like to make one now. I want to place in nomination a woman who has served us faithfully and well. This morning she told you she was up in the seventies. She has been our Department Chaplain and has served us in this way a great many times. It seems to me it would be a most gracious and lovely thing for us to do, to honor Margaret Hinman with the office of Department Chaplain. (Applause.)

The nomination of Margaret Hinman was sustained by Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56; Elsie B. Wade, No. 245; the 2nd District.

Margaret Hinman, No. 148: Many of the ladies in this convention who have got letters from me know that they are, most difficult sometimes to decipher, and I am afraid my hand trembles too much to make out reports. It is a sweet thing for the women to do, and I appreciate it, for there is no work in the Department of Iowa that I enjoy more than that of Chaplain, but I would like to have all the old ladies have this office. But if it comes to me from my sisters, I will not say no.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: I sustain the nomination of Margaret Hinman.

Nominations closed and tellers received the ballot and retired.

Mary Heesch, No. 34: Mrs. President, I learn there is a member here who helped to make flags that went to the front with the boys.

and who did a good deal of other work during the war. She was a minister's daughter and did things for the families whose husbands were in the war. Three of the flags she states are in the capitol in Des Moines, and one is in Maquoketa. I would like to have Mrs. Riggs presented to this convention.

She was escorted to the platform and introduced to the convention.

Department President: Now, I am sure we are all glad to know a lady who made flags for the soldiers. I present Mrs. Riggs of Maquoketa. Convention, salute Mrs. Riggs.

Mrs. Riggs, No. 253: Ladies, I passed through the war, and no one knows until they pass through what it is. I did not have any relatives in the army, but I was a thoughtless young girl of sixteen years. There were five companies raised around Maquoketa. We could not buy flags in those days as you can now. We had to get the material and sew the flags. I think I am the only one living who helped to make those flags. We made five. We had to sit up until 3:00 o'clock one morning to get one finished for the 24th Iowa when they went away to Dubuque. Three of the flags are in Des Moines and I know one is still in Maquoketa. I do not know what more I can say. I thank you. (Applause.)

Emma J. Gould, No. 356: Mrs. President, my husband was in the 24th Iowa and helped to carry that flag.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: Mrs. President, that was my father's regiment. (Applause.)

Mrs. Boyer, No. 138: There were lots of soldiers from eastern Iowa went to the war; Maquoketa furnished a company, Tipton furnished a company, and other places sent companies.

Margaret Hinman, No. 148: I hope the Resolutions Committee will speak out in no uncertain sound about adding the stars and bars to Old Glory. (Applause.) I do not believe that Iowa is quite in favor of that. I hope the Resolutions Committee will not forget it. (Applause.)

Anna E. Brown, No. 206: Mrs. President, I was in Chicago some time ago and they are taking up the matter there. The Department Commander of the State of Illinois has slips printed and sent out to the different Posts. I am so glad that has been brought up here. The Illinois Woman's Relief Corps sent a remonstrance against the change. It certainly is a desecration of the flag that the men fought to defend. (Applause.)

Report of Tellers. Whole number of votes cast, 164. Necessary to choice, 83. Emma Sackett received 97 and Margaret Hinman received 67.

Department President: Emma Sackett having received a majority of all votes cast, I declare her duly elected Department Chaplain. The president of her corps will please carry the news to her that she has been elected for the year.

Maude Whedon Smith, No. 117: I want to thank the convention for honoring Mrs. Sackett. My mother loved and respected her, and I thank you for this tribute to my mother's friend.

A motion to adjourn prevailed.

**THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.**

Convention was called to order promptly at 9 o'clock by Department President and Past Department Chaplain Margaret F. Hinman led in prayer.

Margaret Hinman, No. 148: Our dear, kind, heavenly Father, we come to Thee this morning to thank Thee for the blessing of sunshine that has come to us. We thank Thee for the health we have enjoyed during this convention. We thank Thee for the work that has been accomplished during the week and we thank Thee that no accident has come to our loved ones in our absence, nor to those here. Now we ask Thee, Father, that Thou wilt go with the comrades and let no accident come to them, that their lives may be precious in Thy sight and bless them. Be with us in our work here today, that all may be done according to Thy mind. And, Father, if anything has been done to cause heartache, we ask that Thou wilt forgive, and bless the work in which we are engaged. We know that sometimes in our zeal for the old soldiers and his dependent ones, we forget we are not strong enough and perhaps we do not see that it would be best for the work to be taken by someone else in the vigor of life and may we only remember the kindly spirit that makes for peace and harmony. Now go with us in the work today, and as we step out on the threshold of the new year and know not what is before us, we ask that we may be a blessing to the State of Iowa and the Woman's Relief Corps and ever be found taking the upward step for the old soldier and his dependent ones. And now we ask that we may repeat that beautiful prayer given to us by the master: Our Father who art in heaven, etc.

Color bearers took their places and convention repeated the flag salute and sang the opening ode.

**ROLL CALL OF DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.**

The following responded: Department President, Mattie E. Witter; Department Senior Vice-President, Fannie E. Warden; Junior Vice President, Mary A. Tuttle; Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd; Secretary, Alice Cooper; I. and I. Officer, Elsie B. Wade; Inspector, Carrie I. Netcott; Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack; Chief of Staff, Addie E. Unangst; Press Correspondent, Anna M. Kistner. Minutes of last session were read and approved.

Lena T. Ring, No. 11: I have the very high privilege and pleasure of presenting these flowers to this convention. They were presented to the Past Department Presidents' Association by the daughters of the lamented and beloved Jennie Whedon, and we felt sure they would approve of our bringing them to this convention.

Department President: On behalf of the convention I do thank you and am sure we will all enjoy them.

A committee from the Ladies of the G. A. R. were announced in waiting and escorted to the platform with the colors and presented to the convention.

Department President: Ladies I have the pleasure of introducing to you this committee of Ladies of the G. A. R., Mrs. Grace Seebers of Waterloo, and Mrs. Crouse of Decorah. Convention, salute.

Mrs. Seebers: Officers and members of the Woman's Relief Corps, I will take a very short time to speak to you. I know you are very busy the last day of your session. I feel it a great privilege to have

been chosen on the committee to bring greetings to your order. I have in my heart only love and a very dear feeling for these ladies sitting before me. Your Past President, Miss Hanchett served the same year I did and our associations were very pleasant. We thank you for the ladies of your order sent to visit us. We appreciate their visit. To be sure we are all in the same work of caring for the comrades, and you have your work and we have ours. Let us work in harmony and make the last days of the comrades happy and peaceful. You have done more than we. We want to do all we can. You have have the mothers, wives and sisters, the same as we have. We want to do all we possibly can. The majority of the members feel the same. I bring you the greetings, sympathy and love. And we want to do all that we can in the work we are engaged in for the old comrades. If we knew each other better and understood each other better, I am sure we could always get along together. Ladies, I thank you.

Mrs. Crouse: Members of the Woman's Relief Corps, it gives me great pleasure to be one of this committee, as all over this audience I see some faces I have been associated with and it gives me pleasure to meet with you. We bring loving greetings and good wishes for you all, and may God bless you one and all. (Applause.)

Margaret Hinman, No. 148: Mrs. President, and ladies of the G.A.R. we do not allow your organization to be any more polite, any more kindly or courteous than we of the Woman's Relief Corps are to you. We thank your president for sending you to us to bear the greetings from your organization and we promise that when the work of the Grand Army of the Republic shall be past, when the last soldier shall have answered the roll call, our doors will stand open to you to come and join us in the Woman's Relief Corps. We wish that the work that comes to your hands may be done faithfully and well. There is room for all to work for the soldier and his dependent ones, and when our life work is done, may we hear the call of welcome and hear Him say: "She hath done what she could." (Applause.) We thank you. Department President presented them with badges and they retired under escort of Conductors and Color Bearers convention singing "Stars and Stripes, Forever."

Roll call of Districts by Department Secretary resulted as follows:

1st District .....	7	7th District .....	17	13th District .....	19
2nd District .....	6	8th District .....	16	14th District .....	7
3rd District .....	8	9th District .....	11	15th District .....	7
4th District .....	4	10th District .....	16	16th District .....	27
5th District .....	8	11th District .....	14	17th District .....	21
6th District .....	7	12th District .....	9		
Total . . . . .					204

Comrades Houghland and McPherson were announced in waiting, escorted by Color Bearers and Conductors, and introduced to the convention and saluted.

Comrade Houghland: Mrs. President and Ladies of the Relief Corps, this is the first opportunity I have ever had to be in your meeting. We boys of the 19th Iowa that put through the years of service received the assistance of our mothers and sisters, and sweet-hearts, those of us who did not have wives. On our return the good work was taken up by your order.

I have a little message for you and I will ask after you have heard it that you will take such action upon it as you may think best.



ARBIE HANLEY  
CHAIRMAN RELIEF COMMITTEE



EMMA S. BENNETT  
RELIEF COMMITTEE



SYLVIA BARGER  
RELIEF COMMITTEE

The same matter is presented to the Grand Army of the Republic for their consideration.

Eighteen years ago in the town of Morning Sun, Iowa, my dear comrade here was accosted by a man pretending to be an officer. He had his little son with him, the son 14 years of age. The pretended officer struck the little boy and the father resented and a fight resulted and my comrade killed the man. He was sentenced to the penitentiary for life, and he has been there eighteen years. His friends and comrades have been trying to secure his pardon, but we have been unable to do so. And so we have come before you to ask that you will help us get the governor to pardon him. The 300 survivors of the 19th Iowa are fighting for the release of our comrade. I hope you will act on these resolutions and let me know what your action is. Ladies, I thank you. (Applause.) I thank you for your entertainment. God Bless you, ladies.

Orman McPherson: Ladies, I do not know whether I can talk to you as I would like to because I have been confined for over seventeen years and three months in the Ft. Madison prison. I was born in Ohio and enlisted in the army and when the war was over I returned to Wapello, Iowa, just 15½ years old. I went in at the age of 13. The 20th day of April I was 64 years old. In this difficulty at Morning Star I was acting a father's part. My wife died and left me two babes, and I told her a few minutes before she died I would bring them up myself. My son lives in Chicago and has a dear wife and three as fine children as you ever saw. I am what they call a trusty at Ft. Madison. I came up here yesterday by myself to have a little visit with old comrades and when the reunion is over I will go back again. I hope you can help me. You can ask Mrs. Hinman, she has known me for a long time. Ladies, I thank you. (Applause.) Comrades escorted from the room.

Margaret Hinman, No. 148, Ladies, I have known this man, when I go to the prison on my flower mission work. He sits in, his place at the morning service every Sunday and he is in Mrs. Saunder's Bible class. Mrs. Saunders and Warden Saunders have only good words for him. I know what I tell you is true. My heart goes out in sympathy. I hope you will write to the Governor and ask for his pardon. Just think he has been in seventeen long years. He was a brave soldier and a good comrade. This matter was referred to the Resolutions Committee and the comrades retired under our flags.

A communication from Eva H. Head, No. 251, was read stating that she would, on her return home, present in the name of the Thirty-first Convention of the W. R. C., a gavel made of wood from Libby Prison, to be placed in the G. A. R. collection of relics at Des Moines.

Department President: Nominations are now in order for first member of the Executive Board.

Mrs. Smith, No. 140: I wish to place in nomination a name that we can appreciate from our own home corps. She has served us as treasurer for twelve years. She has sent fifty reports to headquarters and never one returned for correction. I bring before you for first member of the Executive Board the name of Mary A. Tuttle.

The nomination was sustained by Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56; Rachel Chamberlain, No. 167; Elsie B. Wade, No. 245; Carrie M. Johnston, No. 15; District No. 3.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: Mrs. President, I wish to place a name before this convention for chairman of the Executive Board; a woman who has been a good worker in her Corps and comes from a corps of workers that has not been recognized in this department for a long time. If you select her as chairman of the board, you will find the work well done for she is thoroughly competent to do it. I wish to place in nomination Anna E. Larkins, No. 78, Iowa City.

The nomination was sustained by Estelle E. Plopper, No. 48; Mary F. O'Brien, No. 144; Mary W. Hazard, No. 27; Sylvia Barger, No. 71; the 14th District; Mira L. Parker, No. 27; the 11th District; Laura Belle Walker, No. 11.

Lauretta Cowles, No. 134: I wish to place in nomination a lady you have all known for a long time, Mira O. McFarland of No. 17. You know her good work as treasurer of the department and she was corps treasurer for a number of years. I know her work will be satisfactory. I will place her in nomination for chairman of the Executive Board.

The nomination was sustained by Irene Bahme, No. 327; Sadie Householder, No. 17; Esther Walker, No. 222; Ella Coe, No. 221; Alice Becker, No. 17; Louise Adler, No. 17; Elizabeth Coyne, No. 113; Jennie Inskeep, No. 17; Lizzie Sturges, No. 87; Nina Larimer, No. 17.

Anna E. Larkins, No. 78: Mrs. President, I withdraw my name for this year in favor of the soldier's wife. I am only a daughter. I will come before you again. I thank you. The nominations were declared closed.

The candidates were escorted to the platform and introduced to the convention.

Department President: Ladies of the convention, it is unnecessary for me to say anything about these ladies. You know the work Mira O. McFarland has always done, and Mrs. Tuttle has been before the state this year and did splendid work. These are your candidates for Chairman of the Board.

The ballot was taken and the tellers retired to count.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DEPARTMENT CHAPLAINS' REPORT.

Margaret Hinman, No. 18: To the officers and members of the Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, we have examined the report of the Department Chaplain, Nancy Clapp, and find that she has performed the duties of the office, and many others. She is a very conscientious woman, and with failing health. We, your committee, beg to most heartily endorse her report. Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

MARGARET HINMAN, No. 148.  
MARY W. HAZARD, No. 27.  
IDA WORTMAN, No. 286.

Susan McGuire, No. 281: Mrs. President, I move the report of the committee be adopted. Seconded by Eliza Moyer, No. 38. Carried.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON I. AND I. OFFICER'S REPORT.

Abbie Hanley, No. 314: Mrs. President, I will read our report. Burlington, Iowa, June 17, 1914. We, your committee, have examined



the report of the Department I. and I. Officer, Elsie B. Wade, and wish to submit the following report: We find the report showing excellent work done in the department this year and do most heartily recommend its adoption. Signed by the committee.

ABBIE HANLEY, No. 314.  
LILLIAN MORGAN, No. 230.  
SYLVIA BARGER, No. 71.

Fannie E. Wardan, No. 62: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Lulu Belle Esher, No. 153 and carried.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE REPORT OF THE JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT.

Kate Hanchett, No. 83: Mrs. President, your committee on the Junior Vice President's report have carefully read the same, and fully appreciate her effort to assist the Department President, as well as serve our order, and we approve the report. Signed by the committee.

KATE HANCHETT, No. 83.  
ELLA THOMAS, No. 100.  
OLIVE NORTHRUP, No. 24.  
DELLA MILLIMAN, No. 216.

Roberta Squaires, No. 261: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Rachel Chamberlain, No. 167 and carried.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mira O. McFarland, No. 17: Mrs. President, I will read our report. Burlington, Iowa, June 17, 1914. Mattie E. Witter, Department President. Dear Madam: Your committee appointed to report on Treasurer's report will say, Auditing Committee has carefully checked the report, and balance in the various funds and find them to correspond and report them correct. Signed by the committee.

MIRA O. MCFARLAND, No. 17.  
LENA D. PETERS, No. 210.  
RAY M. HANCHETT, No. 83.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83. Mrs. President, I am going to make a word of explanation on this report. I think it is due the treasurer. I want to say that a little mistake that is covered in the treasurer's report does not appear on the books, but was an error in preparing the copy for the printer. Her books are correct. This explanation is due Cornelia T. Dodd. (Applause.)

Department President: The correction has been made on the printed reports. The error does not appear on the books at all.

Mary Heesch, No. 34. Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report. Seconded by Gertrude Anderson, No. 126 and carried.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Fannie E. Wardan, No. 62: Mrs. President I will read our report: Burlington, Iowa, June 17, 1914. Mrs. President: The members of the committee to whom was referred the report of the Auditing Com-

mittee have carefully examined the same. Fully realizing the importance of the duties of this committee, we feel that credit is due them for their efficient work, and recommend that this report be accepted. Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

FANNIE E. WARDAN, No. 62.

ELLA M. THOMAS, No. 170.

HORTENSE McQUILLAN, No. 170.

LAURA N. KITCHEN, No. 33.

Emma J. Carson, No. 62: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Abbie Hanley, No. 314 and carried.

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR'S REPORT.**

May E. Jones, No. 27: Mrs. President, and members of the Thirty-first Department Convention: We, your committee on the report of the Department Inspector have examined it thoroughly and find it excellent. We congratulate the Department Inspector on the excellent report and recommend its adoption. Signed by the committee.

MAY E. JONES, No. 27.

HELEN R. SOUTH, No. 37.

CARRIE IDEN, No. 202.

ANNA METZGAR, No. 244.

Lyda W. Nott, No. 126: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Sylvia Barger, No. 71, and carried.

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO BEAR GREETINGS TO SONS OF VETERANS.**

Lena T. Ring, No. 71. Mrs. President, your committee appointed to bear greetings to the Sons of Veterans had difficulty in finding the place where they were holding their sessions. We tried our very best, and asked a couple of Burlington ladies, but they were unable to tell us. We heard they were at the Hotel Burlington so we went into a corner grocery and called up the hotel but they were not there. The grocer remembered reading in the morning paper that they were at the Delano Hotel so we called up there and found them. When we got there they had adjourned for the afternoon. So we did not get to see them in session. I am sorry to make such a report, but we did the very best we could.

Gertrude Anderson, No. 126: Mrs. President, I move we accept the report of the committee. Seconded by Kittie B. Gay, No. 34, and carried.

### **REPORT OF TELLERS.**

Whole number of votes cast, 201. Mira O. McFarland received 126 and Mary A. Tuttle received 75.

Department President: Mira O. McFarland having received a majority of all votes cast I declare her elected First Member of the Executive Board.

Mrs. McFarland was escorted to the platform and presented.

Department President: Ladies, salute your First Member of the Executive Board, Mira O. McFarland.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF SOLDIER'S' HOME BOARD

Ida Wortman, No. 286: Mrs. President, I will read the report. To the Officers and Member of the Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps: Your committee on Soldiers' Home Board have examined the report and heartily endorse the same. We find all departments have been visited by the Board and all possible being done by Commandant Horton and his official staff for all of its inmates. Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

NAOMI BRADLEY, No. 251.

IDA WORTMAN No. 286.

NETTIE L. WARD, No. 38.

Margaret Gantz, No. 21: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Ella Marshall, No. 87, and carried.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COUNSELOR'S REPORT.

Amy C. Capron, No. 24: Mrs. President, I will read our report: June 18, 1914. To the Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps: The committee has examined the counselor's report and find that she has performed her duty faithfully and well. Yours in F. C. and L.,

AMY C. CAPRON, No. 24.

MARY A. BROWN, No. 4.

KATHERINE DREW, No. 3.

Dawn Tullis, No. 27: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Jennie Manbeck, No. 24, and carried.

Department President: Nomination are now in order for Second Member of the Executive Board.

Addie E. Unangst, No. 34: Mrs. President, I take great pleasure in presenting the name of Della Allender of No. 62, Burlington, Iowa, the chairman of the entertainment committee who has provided so lovely for our welfare, and I think she has also provided us with this lovely weather. (Applause.)

The nomination was sustained by Fannie E. Warden, No. 62; Sue Stanwood, No. 122; Nora Bryson, No. 45; 17th District; Lena T. Ring, No. 11; 10th District; Margaret Hinman, No. 148. Everybody stand to second the nomination. (The convention arose to its feet.) Thank you ladies. Nominations closed.

Lena T. Ring, No. 11: Mrs. President, I move the secretary be instructed to cast the entire vote of this convention for Della Allender for Second Member of the Executive Board. Seconded by Irene Bahme, No. 134 and carried.

The Department Secretary cast the vote and Department President declared her elected. Mrs. Allender was escorted to the platform by Addie E. Unangst, No. 34.

Department President: Ladies I have the great pleasure of presenting Della Allender, one of the working committee for this convention. Convention, please salute your incoming officer, the Second Member of the Executive Board.

Fannie E. Warden, No. 62: Ladies, I want to thank this convention for the honor conferred on Number 62.

A delegation of comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic were reported in waiting and escorted by Conductor and Color Bearers to the platform, convention singing "Marching Through Georgia," with enthusiasm.

Department President: Ladies of the convention, I have the great pleasure of presenting to you Comrade South, the father of our newly elected Department President; Past Department Commander Brown; Comrade Witter, my husband; (Applause); Major McElroy of the National Tribune; Gen. Byers, who has never been here before; Past Department Commander Evans. Convention, salute these honorable gentlemen and comrades.

Past Commander Brown: Mrs. President of the Relief Corps and Ladies of the Relief Corps, it is my pleasure to convey to you the greetings of the Grand Army of the Republic to the ladies of the Relief Corps of the Department of Iowa. I think I know were it not for the Relief Corps of the Department of Iowa the Grand Army of the Republic could not exist. We feel grateful in our hearts at every meeting for the glorious and magnificent treatment that we receive from the hands of the Relief Corps from every source in Iowa. We have with us Comrade Evans, Past Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic who now lives in Keokuk. He mustered me in two years ago. I want to present to you Comrade Evans.

Past Department Commander Evans: Mrs. President and ladies, I did muster the comrade two years ago and have not been sorry that I did it. I must confess to a little disappointment yesterday when they made up this committee to visit the Relief Corps. Coming to the encampment and to the Relief Corps is my annual outing. I look forward with pleasure to the trip. I take it the same as others do their annual outing to some pleasure resort. One of the greatest pleasures of the encampment to me is a visit to the convention of the Relief Corps. I have not been to your convention for two or three years so I had my disappointment when the committee was named and I was left out. But you see, Mrs. President, I am here. This morning I asked Capt. Brown if he had his committee all filled and he said I do not think so. I would like you to fill one place. Now, ladies, I am not going to take up your time because your committee who visited me a few minutes ago told us how much business you still have to do. I will just simply say I am delighted to come and will stop without saying more at all. (Applause.)

Major McElroy: Mrs. President and ladies, I am truly pleased to come here and meet you and see your splendid representation of the grandest organization of women ever formed. (Applause.) I do not think that any body of the Grand Army of the Republic is more familiar with your noble work than I am. I have been watching your good work for nearly forty years, and upon the kindly influences of the Woman's Relief Corps the existence of the Grand Army of the Republic depends, not only in Iowa, but of the whole United States.

Someone has said we men are always dominated by a woman. First it is our mother or sister then sweetheart and wife and lastly our daughter. I confess subjection to the thumb of my daughter.

It is gratifying to me to meet you splendid, loyal women of the Department of Iowa. I want to tell you something about what we are

doing to help you. I will talk to you about removing the limitation of time for widows. It is to my mind a reflection on the patriotism of those who have the matters of government in hand to put a limitation on the time a woman must be married to a soldier. You remember if a woman was married prior to June 27, 1890 and her husband dies, she is eligible to a pension. If she was married since that time she is ineligible to a pension. A bill is now pending, which if passed, will do away with this limitation. It may not be passed during this session, but I think it will go through another congress. It is probable that the next congress will be of a different political persuasion and we feel sure more favor will be given to pension legislation. I will not take up your valuable time. I will simply reiterate my pleasure in being here and looking into the faces of such a splendid body of women. I thank you. (Applause.)

Gen. Byers: Mrs. President and ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, this is the first time that I have been actually appointed on the committee to visit you. I have gotten in a number of times, like the others. I want to say it is a pleasure to come in and look into the faces of the Woman's Relief Corps. I do not know that I have ever seen anything more beautiful than your reception at the Burlington Hotel—it was the most beautiful thing I ever saw. I was much pleased at the report that your committee brought to our department. It shows that you are earnest and busy in the work for the old soldiers. You are far ahead of the Grand Army of the Republic; ahead of us so far as membership is concerned; your conventions are excellent. I am glad to see you all—I can almost call you all by name. I have been in so many encampments. I thank you. (Applause.)

Comrade D. R. Witter: (Applause) Mrs. President and ladies of the Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps. I am not physically able to be here. I have been sick all forenoon and could scarcely get up here, but I am glad to be here and meet you in this historic city of Burlington, the county seat of Des Moines County; the capital of the territory of Iowa and later the state of Iowa. As a "bare-foot boy with cheeks of tan" I first saw Iowa from across the river—from across the great Mississippi, and there was no bridge across the waters then. Yesterday I went down to see if I could find any old landmarks. I found a rock—sort of a Plymouth Rock where the pioneers first landed. I was going to tell you more about it but I am not strong enough and will have to cut it out.

When my wife was elected president of this splendid organization some came to me after the election and offered their sympathy, and their pity. From what I hear I think she has made good and I am glad to hear it. But I think the sympathy and pity should go to the other side—to the one who has to do all the work and not to the one who is only a looker-on. So I want to say hereafter when someone is elected president of the Relief Corps, if she has a husband, do not offer sympathy and pity to him, but to the other party where it belongs. I want to thank all the officers and ladies of the department for all they have done for my wife. I think I stated a year ago that she would do all that is possible, and I hear remarks that she made good. I am glad to hear it. But I do not want to be like the speaker at the enthusiastic temperance meeting in our town. On the platform was an old deacon who would interrupt the speaker by saying "Thank Heaven for that." The speaker arose and said my

heart is in the work, and the deacon's "Thank Heaven for that" came in all right. As it did also when the speaker said, "This town will be benefitted by this movement." But afterward he said, "I cannot be with you this evening to speak to you as I have another engagement." "Thank Heaven for that," said the deacon. Ladies, I thank you. (Applause.)

President elect Carrie I. Netcott and her mother Helen R. South of No. 37 were escorted to the platform and with Comrade South, were presented to the convention.

Department President: Convention, I would like you to salute the South family. (Applause.)

Helen R. South, No. 37: I would like to say, ladies, that I thank you for the honor you have conferred on my daughter. I feel it is an honor to stand with my daughter as president of this great convention. (Applause.)

Comrade South: I would like to say, ladies, I am not much of a speaker, but I thank you. We have tried to raise our girl right and I thank you for the honor you have conferred upon her. I never do much talking. My wife does the talking at home. (Laughter and applause.)

Estelle E. Plopper, No. 48: Mrs. President and comrades of the official committee from the Grand Army of the Republic we as a department are most glad to receive this distinguished committee, and ladies, seldom have we had a committee with such distinguished personnel. The chairman is Past Commander Brown of whom his commander said during the war that if he had a special duty he would send Brown. We have Past Commander Evans, one of the older commanders—Georgia Wade McClellan's commander, who worked with the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps in those days. But we feel that these comrades who have stood by us so many years and helped create the feeling existing between the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps should receive a great deal of credit and I am sure a great deal of credit is due Commander Evans. We have with us too, a visitor, Major McElroy, editor of the National Tribune, and as you all know, a more than loyal friend to the Woman's Relief Corps. (Applause.) He has been helpful to us in his paper, who first looked after our interest as well as that of the Grand Army of the Republic. And, Comrade McElroy, the Woman's Relief Corps is most glad to have you with us today. And we are glad and proud to have with us the father of the newly elected president and we are glad to see the South family. And we are most glad to have Comrade Witter with us today (applause). We all love the husband of our dear Department President. I do not know that you ladies heard what he said and some of it I want to say aloud. He said when Mattie went into office she promised she would do as well as she could, and he heard it remarked she had made good. (Applause.) Why it has become a public scandal it is so well known that she has made good. (Laughter.) Now, we love General Byers and feel sure his commander made no mistake in putting him on this committee. He is one of our staunch friends and we are always glad to have him visit us. Now we are going to have Mrs. Romans say a word. She always says something to please. I have the pleasure of presenting Past Department President Christine Snyder Romans.

Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56: Mrs. President, I lost my book and you know I cannot say anything without the book to go by. Mrs. President, it is certainly a great honor to me to speak to these honored visitors and I am sure I voice the sentiments of this splendid assembly of representative women of Iowa when I say we are happy to receive this committee of the Grand Army of the Republic. I know all about the days of the war but I must be careful or you will know how old I am. They might say: "Mrs. Romans, she was in the Civil war," and that would give it all away. I was about 11 years old when the boys went away. I well remember the morning when I ran along the railroad track when the Company left. Many wives saw their husbands go away and never come back. I remember how the women worked to pack boxes to send to the boys. The small girls had their part; we had to scrape lint. Mrs. President, I have shed many scalding tears over the war, scraping lint and horseradish. Mrs. President, I have lost my book and cannot say much. I am so glad, I am always glad to meet the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. I am sure we are especially glad this morning to have Comrade McElroy with us. Many of us feel well acquainted with him through the National Tribune. After this he will seem like an old friend. I am sure we are more than glad to see all of them and so I echo what sister Stella has said of every one, and especially Commander Brown and the Family from the South or rather the South family; we are glad to honor them. What can I say of the husband of our president? I think he is the head of the family yet. I believe he realizes it. (Laughter and applause.) Well, sisters, he is our loyal friend. He is all right. And General Byers, we know he is our good friend. And Comrade Evans, we thank them all for coming and for their kind words and greetings. (Applause.) The comrades were presented with badges and escorted from the room with colors, convention standing and singing "Battle Hymn of the Republic," and giving the Chautauqua salute.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF DELEGATE AT LARGE.

Mary E. Snyder, No. 24: Mrs. President, having examined the report of Flora E. Pond, Delegate at Large, and appreciating its thoroughness, we recommend its adoption. Signed by the committee.

MARY E. SNYDER, No. 24.

ZENA GIFFORD, No. 27.

ADDIE E. UNANGST, No. 34.

May E. Jones, No. 27: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Rachel Chamberlain, No. 167 and carried.

Department President: Ladies if I have seemed absent-minded this morning, I hope you will pardon me; I have been so worried about Mr. Witter. He is subject to heart trouble and has been quite bad all morning. I begged him not to leave his room, but he wanted to come to my convention. I cannot help feeling so anxious about him all the time, and it does not help me very much, seeing how he looks. He wanted to come and thank you for what you have done for me.

Nomination are now in order for Third Member of the Executive Board.

Elsie B. Wade, No. 245: Mrs. President, I nominate Lizzie Sturges of No. 87, Sioux City, for Third Member of the Executive Board.

The nomination was sustained by Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56; Ida Wortman, No. 286; Lulu Bella Esher, No. 153; Mira O. McFarland, No. 17; Mrs. Marshall, No. 87; Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56; the Fifth District; the Sixth District; the Seventh District; the Eighth District.

Mrs. Riggs, No. 253: We have one of the best corps in the state and one of the most progressive. Ask Mrs. Unangst; she knows all about it. I want to nominate our president, Mrs. Minnie Miller of No. 253.

The nomination was sustained by S. Alice Wilcoxon, No. 130. Mrs. Miller declined the nomination.

Gertrude Anderson, No. 126: Mrs. President, as there is but one candidate, I move the secretary be instructed to cast the vote of the entire convention for Lizzie Sturges for Third Member of the Executive Board. Seconded by Belle C. Senn of No. 20, and carried.

The Department Secretary cast the vote and the Department President declared Lizzie Sturges elected Third Member of the Executive Board. Mrs. Sturges was presented to the Convention and saluted and she thanked the ladies for the honor they had conferred on her.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: Mrs. President, I move we adjourn to 1:00 o'clock this afternoon. Seconded by Fannie E. Wardan, No. 62, and carried.

### THURSDAY AFTERNON SESSION.

The convention was called to order by the Department President and the Lord's Prayer was led by Georgia Wade McClellan. The opening ode was sung and the flag salute given.

The following answered to roll call of Department Officers: Department President, Mattie E. Witter; Senior Vice President, Fannie E. Wardan; Junior Vice President, Mary A. Tuttle; Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd; Secretary, Alice Cooper; I. and I. Officer, Elsie B. Wade. The Convention Secretary, Marie L. Basham, No. 24, read the minutes of the morning session which were approved.

The Department Secretary called the roll of districts and the following reported present:

1st District.....	7	7th District.....	16	13th District.....	15
2nd District.....	2	8th District.....	10	14th District.....	7
3rd District.....	1	9th District.....	10	15th District.....	3
4th District.....	4	10th District.....	6	16th District.....	7
5th District.....	7	11th District.....	8	17th District.....	11
6th District.....	6	12th District.....	7		
Total. . . . .					127

Department President: Nominations are now in order for the Fourth Member of the Executive Board.

Sylvia Barger, No. 71: Mrs. President, I nominate Abbie Hanley of No. 314 for Fourth Member of the Executive Board.

The nomination was sustained by Lillian Morgan, No. 230; Anna Steigerwalt, No. 98, Ames, was nominated for Fourth Member of the



Executive Board by Clara A. Carpenter, No. 48, and the nomination was sustained by Maude Hill, No. 18. Nominations closed.

The Second District reported two more voters. Mrs. Nora Lusk of No. 283 was appointed to take the place of an absent teller. The vote was taken and the tellers retired to count the ballot.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF DEPARTMENT SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT.

Eliza Moyer, No. 38: Mrs. President, officers and members of the Thirty-first annual convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Iowa: We have examined the report of the Senior Vice President and find that she has performed her duties in a very acceptable manner and recommend the adoption of the same Signed by the committee.

ELIZA I. MOYER, No. 38.

ANNIE E. BROWN, No. 206.

L. GERTRUDE ANDERSON, No. 126.

Lizzie Crane, No. 250: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Amelia Neider, No. 220, and carried.

Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56, made further report on the telegrams and courtesies. She read the communications from Past Department President, Georgia B. Worker, No. 34, Della Weeks Moors, Washington, and L. T. Lincoln of the Grand Army Advocate.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF CHIEF OF STAFF.

Belle C. Senn, No. 20: To the officers and members of this Thirty-first annual convention assembled, we as a committee submit the following report: Your committee have carefully perused the Senior Aide's report and find that she has performed her official duty well. She presents Resolution No. 1 for consideration. We accept the report as a whole and heartily recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 1. Yours in F. C. and L.,

BELLE C. SENN, No. 20.

ANNIE E. BROWN, No. 206.

KATHERINE SIMMONS, No. 325.

ELIZA MUNION, No. 15.

Susan McGuire, No. 281: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Anna Crocker, No. 180, and carried.

Tellers reported: Whole number of votes cast, 125; Anna Steigerwalt received 63; Abbie Hanley received 62.

Mrs. Steigerwalt was escorted to the platform and presented as the Fourth Member of the Executive Board.

Department President: Nominations are now in order for Fifth Member of the Executive Board.

Sarah A. Fox, No. 122: Mrs. President, I move that Abbie Hanley be declared elected Fifth Member of the Executive Board. Seconded by Mira O. McFarland. Motion declared out of order.

Elizabeth Harris, No. 29: Mrs. President, I nominate Elizabeth Carter, No. 9, for Fifth Member of the Executive Board. The nomina-

tion was sustained by Frederica Philpot, No. 26; Mary F. O'Brien, No. 144; Addie E. Unangst, No. 34; Ellen Burgin, No. 252; Susan McQuire, No. 281, Ninth District and Seventh District.

Sarah A. Fox, No. 122: I nominate Abbie Hanley for Fifth Member.

Abbie Hanley, 314: I withdraw my nomination. I am a soldier's wife and sewed on seventeen flags and did a whole lot of work, but that has nothing to do with the work just now. I thank the ladies.

Nominations were closed.

Abbie Hanley, No. 314: Mrs. President, I move that the secretary cast the vote of this convention for Elizabeth Carter for Fifth Member of the Executive Board. Seconded by May E. Jones, No. 27, and carried. Secretary cast the vote and Department President declared Elizabeth Carter elected. Mrs. Carter was escorted to the platform and presented to the convention and saluted.

Elizabeth Carter, No. 29: Ladies, I thank you and will do my best for the interest of the Relief Corps.

Department President: Nominations are now in order for Delegate at Large.

Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56: Mrs. President and members of the convention, I have a candidate for Delegate at Large; she is a woman well worthy, who understands the work, who will make a good report and will always be in her place in the convention, and will be a credit to herself, and to the women who elect her. She has filled several department offices and loves the flag; why, she is looney on the flag (laughter and applause). I think you know who she is. I nominate Belle C. Senn of Ft. Dodge.

The nomination was sustained by Estella E. Plopper, No. 48; Eliza Moyer, No. 38; Sarah Fox, No. 122; the Tenth District; the Seventh District; the Seventeenth District; the Twelfth District; the Sixth District; the Ninth District; Flora E. Pond, No. 286; the fifth District; Ida M. Smyth, No. 17; the Thirteenth District; Kate Hanchett, No. 83; the Eleventh District; the Eighth District; the Fourteenth District. Nominations closed.

Roberta Squaires, No. 261: Mrs. President, I move the secretary be instructed to cast the vote of this convention for Belle C. Senn for Delegate at Large. Seconded by Estella E. Plopper, No. 48 and carried. The Department Secretary cast the ballot and the Department President declared Belle C. Senn elected Delegate at Large. Mrs. Senn was escorted to the platform and presented and saluted.

Belle C. Senn, No. 20: Well, girls, I do not know how I look, but Georgia Wade hope will prove true. I have always endeavored to do my duty and I shall try to do this acceptably. I thank you.

Department President: Nominations are now in order for Alternate at Large.

Sylvia A. Barber, No. 15: Mrs. President, I nominate Abbie Hanley for Alternate at Large.

The nomination was sustained by Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83; Frederica Philpot, No. 26, and convention rising. Nominations closed.

Sarah A. Fox, No. 122: Mrs. President, I move the Secretary be

instructed to cast the vote for Abbie Hanley. Seconded by Emma J. Gould, No. 356 and carried. The Department Secretary cast the ballot and the Department President declared Abbie Hanley elected Alternate at Large. Mrs. Hanley was presented to the convention and saluted and thanked the ladies.

A delegation of comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic was reported in waiting and escorted to the platform with honors amid cheers and music.

Department President: Ladies, I have the great pleasure of presenting to you Past Department Commander Willetts, Captain Abraham, our new Department Commander B. C. Ward. Convention salute these comrades.

Past Department Commander Lot Abraham: Mrs. President and ladies of the Relief Corps. It is to me a great pleasure to be here, but I am no speaker. I did not come to make a speech. I am real glad to be here and meet with you. I was not going away from this encampment without coming here to see and greet you. The Woman's Relief Corps comes very near to my heart. When I look back to those dark days of the war when the mothers and wives and sisters held us up so to speak and pushed us forward so that we accomplished what we did. Some of us had the privilege of coming back. Some were left down South. Some sleep in unknown graves. It comes to my heart how hard it was to go away—to go to the war. I was thoughtful of my mother who had been a widow many years. I will not try to tell you about my mother; it always fills me up so I cannot talk. I will give you a little poem that I much admire. It divides you into three classes, the maid, the wife and the mother:

#### THE BRAVE AT HOME.

The maid who binds her warrior's sash  
 With smile that well her pain dissembles,  
 The while beneath her drooping lash  
 One stary tear-drop hangs and trembles,  
 Though Heaven alone records the tear,  
 And fame shall never know her story,  
 Her heart has shed a drop as dear  
 As e'er bedewed the field of glory!

The wife who girds her husband's sword,  
 'Mid little ones, who weep or wonder,  
 And bravely speaks the cheering word,  
 What though her heart be rent asunder,  
 Doomed nightly in her dreams to hear  
 The bolts of death that round him rattle,  
 Hath shed as sacred blood as e'er  
 Was poured upon the field of battle!

The mother who conceals her grief  
 While to her breast her son she presses,  
 Then breathes a few brave words and brief,  
 Kissing the patriot brow she presses,  
 With no one but her secret God  
 To know the pain that weighs upon her,  
 Sheds holy blood as e'er the sod  
 Received on Freedom's field of honor!

—Thomas Buchanan Reed.

Past Department Commander Willetts: Mrs. President and ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, it gives me great pleasure to look into your smiling faces. This convention has been most fortunate in that the hot weather has not been upon us until near the close of the several encampments. Surely, we have been favored in the extreme with the most favorable weather we could have anticipated. I am told by the sisters of the Relief Corps, and by the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and by other sisters and by the citizens of this beautiful Orchard City, and by the comrades and visitors from other localities, that this is the best provincial state encampment that it has been their fortune to visit. (Applause.) Surely it has been an amazing exhibition after a lapse of fifty years to see the old boys in the march yesterday—the alacrity and activity displayed by some of them, that it is a marvel of the present day and age that they could endure such a march and could appear so young. In fact they are young in heart and spirit. Now, there is a reason for all this. In the first place it is as a rule the best preserved representatives of the Grand Army of the Republic that you see at these gatherings. In the second place—and it is perhaps the most vital of all—it is because you girls have taken good care of us. (Applause.) It is because you are interested in us that I believe that we feel and act as though we are only boys grown older, that the old boys are in attendance of the meetings of the Grand Army of the Republic. Were it not for the presence of your ladies, the meetings of the Grand Army of the Republic would descend to merely gatherings around in the hotel lobby, engaged in smoking and swapping yarns. But thank God we have the Woman's Relief Corps back of us and at our sides, with helping hands and smiling faces and sisterly cheer and evidences of good will that would make the stoutest heart feel that he was but a pigmy in your presence under ordinary circumstances, and in a gathering like this that he is but clay in the hands of a potter.

We are glad that we have such an organization. It has been a moral support to me in all of my administration that I will never forget. True I have not annoyed or bothered the officers of this society very much, but I have held encampments by the score and have visited various parts of the state of Iowa in the interest of the Grand Army of the Republic, and every time the women of the Relief Corps have come to the front and done very much, and through their help and their earnest work and their hearty welcome, every seance has been made a success. (Applause.) I speak thus without fear of successful contradiction; it is an axiomatic truth and does not admit of argument that if there is a flourishing Relief Corps and there are old boys enough in the neighborhood to make a Post, that you will find a live Post. It is according to the character of the Relief Corps. (Applause.) And if the Relief Corps is dying of dry rot, then the Post is dead already. This is a homely expression, but its verity does not admit of argument.

I can say to my successor that he will at all times find it just as I have; that so sure as he goes and finds a live Relief Corps and there are old boys enough to make a Post, he will find a live one. This being the case, of course we feel very grateful because you are only girls grown older as we are only boys grown older. We comrades come because we like to look into your intelligent, welcome faces and recognize sisters, not only in name, but in fact, in an organization of a great society and noble order.

Now I could talk to you longer. I do not know what press of business you have. We are not the regular committee. We are a self-appointed committee to wait upon you to extend to you our individual greeting, and wanted the privilege to look you in the face and thank you for the cordial co-operation of the past year. You will remember that I have been conducting the encampment and have been busy. Comrade Ward, the in-coming Commander will want to talk to you. Now, as is customary for the old to introduce the new, I take the pleasure of introducing to you, Comrade B. C. Ward, who is the present Commander of the Department of Iowa, Grand Army of the Republic. (Applause.)

Commander Ward: Mrs. President and dear sisters of the Relief corps, as Past Department Commander Willetts just told you, we are not the regular committee from the Grand Army of the Republic, but we have come here this afternoon as individuals, to give you our hearty personal greetings. As members of the Grand Army of the Republic, we thank you for the noble work that you are doing and we are proud of you as our sisters and we are only too glad that you sustain that very near relationship with us, being auxiliary by order of the national department; auxiliary to our organization. (Applause.) We remember there are many lines of your work; first of all looking after the dear old comrades, as their faces are turned toward the setting sun. These comrades can already hear the heavy tramp of the years as they come sliding down the slope of time. It is our endeavor to make their last days their best. You are giving them your hearty support and co-operation and good cheer. I want to remind you ladies of this one thing: In your garden are many roses, and some are white and some are red. These comrades all like roses, but we want them now, not when we are dead. Don't wait to show affection till the turf is piled above my head. In your garden are many roses, but we want them now, not when we are dead. I have left a written order and placed it where it will be obeyed that when I lay aside this old used up and worn out form and passed to that shadow-land so beautiful, beyond the tideless sea, that notice shall be served through the press to my friends to send no flowers. Rather I want roses now, whose beauty and fragrance can give me pleasure in this life, than to have my casket covered with flowers that will soon wither and die.

As a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, we assure you we realize how much you are doing in that very important avenue of work in the line of teaching patriotism to the young. It is a splendid work—seeing that the flag floats from every school house, of giving beautiful flags to churches and Sunday schools. Ladies you do not realize what an impression that makes upon an audience when you make such presentations, and you cannot realize the good that will come of it: the influence upon the lives of the youth. We often speak about the heroism of the men upon the battle field; but whatever our depth of heroism, it does not exceed that of the woman.

The wife who girds her husband's sword,

'Mid little ones, who weep or wonder,

And bravely speaks the cheering word,

What though her heart be rent assunder,

Doomed nightly in her dreams to hear

The bolts of death that round him rattle,

Hath shed as sacred blood as e'er

Was poured upon the field of battle.

On one of the steamers going to Vicksburg laden with soldiers, and with supplies, and with women, during the siege of that city, one woman who had been an army nurse was broken down physically. Her friends said, what if you had died? She answered, thousands of men have died and one woman ought to be willing to die to help the soldiers. That was a beautiful expression, a beautiful exhibition of patriotism. We had so much of it all through the war. I am sure that spirit had a benificent influence. I am sure the women of this splendid organization have been the recipients of that beautiful spirit of those early loyal women of the civil war.

Now, ladies, I know you have business on hand. We called to look you in the faces and bring you greetings. During the coming year, wherever I go I will be sure to find a live Relief Corps. I thank you. (Applause.)

Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56: It is inspiring to the Woman's Relief Corps in convention assembled to have you come into our convention and pledge your allegiance as you have done to us. We were favored when in 1883 we were made auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. As I look into your faces today, it grieves me to go back to the 60's when you were boys in blue. You are men in blue today. As I think of you in those days as boys, I remember that then I was a girl. Today I rank with you in age. It is always a pleasure to me to meet with the Grand Army of the Republic. There is no order dearer to my heart than the Grand Army of the Republic. I lament greatly that the Sons of Veterans are not more thriving as an order than they are. As I greet you today in the name of the Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps, it is one of the greatest pleasures of my life and I assure you that you are always welcome to the Department Conventions of the Woman's Relief Corps. (Applause.)

Department President: We elected our officers today and Mr. Department Commander I want to present to you our new Department President, Carrie I. Netcott. (Applause.)

Carrie I. Netcott No. 144: Commander, I am glad of this opportunity in the presence of this convention to pledge to you my allegiance and the loyal support of the more than 12,000 women of the Department

Lu L. Schrack, No. 14: Mr. Department Commander, in the name of an old friend I present to you these roses. I bring them from Kate Hanchett; we all want you to have roses before you are dead. (Laughter and applause.)

Department Commander B. C. Ward: Ladies, I thank you for the roses. I shall enjoy them. (Laughter and applause.)

I want to say to you Mrs. President-elect, that I am very proud to have as my co-worker in the Woman's Relief Corps the daughter of an old comrade of mine—a boy who served with me through the war. I just wanted to say that when I was taken by surprise with the roses. (Laughter and applause.)

Dawn B. Tullis, No. 27: Mrs. President, I have asked for just a moment; I do not think it was announced that our new Commander is from Crocker Post of Des Moines. I have the honor of being the president of Crocker Corps at this time and the ladies thought that our comrade should have some roses. Mr. Commander, I present you these roses in the name of Crocker Corps. You may

divide them with the other comrades if you have too many. (Laughter and applause.)

Department Commander: Please accept my thanks. (Laughter and applause.) The comrades were escorted from the room the convention standing and singing, "Should Old Acquaintance Be Forgot."

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT.

Ida M. Smyth, No. 17: Mrs. President, we your committee on the report of the Department Patriotic Instructor have examined it and find it excellent. We note especially the increase of eighty-five more corps reporting work done this year over last year; also the increase in expenditures for supplies of \$789.35 over last year. This we think is a splendid showing of the good work done by her. We wish to strengthen the desire expressed by her that corps patriotic instructors comply with the ruling of the last National Convention and send name and address immediately after election. Yours in F. C. and L.,

IDA M. SYMTH, No. 17.

CARRIE I. NETCOTT, No. 144.

EMMA BEHRENS, No. 62.

JEAN POWERS, No. 356.

Amy C. Capron, No. 24: Mrs. President, I move we adopt the report of the committee. Seconded by Lizzie Sturges, No. 87 and carried.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Clara A. Carpenter, No. 48: To the officers and members of the Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps we, your committee on Department Secretary's report beg to submit the following report: We have read the report of the Department Secretary and find it a very complete and concise report and would recommend its adoption. And we congratulate the Department on having had such an efficient officer for Department Secretary. Fraternally submitted,

CLARA A. CARPENTER, No. 48.

LYDIA W. NOTT, No. 126.

RETTA M. IVES, No. 48.

BLANCHE WALL, No. 147.

Belle C. Senn, No. 20: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Anna Crocker, No. 180, and carried.

Department Senior Vice President was called to the chair. The committee's report on the President's address was taken up.

Mrs. President and members of the Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps: The committee to whom the address of the Department President was referred appreciate the honor of their appointment and hope in the performance of the duty assigned to them, their efforts will meet the approval of the woman who has presided at the head of our Department during the past year. The perusal of the address proves conclusively that our President has given to the work of the year the same earnest, unselfish zeal that has characterized all her efforts for the order, and has performed all duties in the spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. We, the committee, approve the report as a whole, except

recommendations Nos. 1 and 4, which we think should be acted upon by the entire convention, also recommendation No. 2, to be amended to read, "Without expense to the department." Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

FREDERICA PHILPOT,  
ESTELLE E. PLOPPER,  
ENMA GOULD,  
JEAN TOMPKINS,  
FLORA E. POND.

Anna M. Kistner, No. 15: Mrs. Senior Vice President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Susan Sherwood, No. 50. Discussions.

Estella E. Plopper, No. 48: Mrs. President, I would just like to ask if we are not to act on the recommendations separately? Some of the ladies do not understand. Recommendation No. 2, regarding the exemplification of the ritual is the one we want to know about. Is the expense to be borne by the department?

Department Senior Vice President: This motion is only on the report of the committee, and they ask that the convention act separately on the recommendations. The motion was put and carried.

Frederica Philpot, No. 26: I will read recommendation No. 1: That a committee be appointed, one by the incoming President and one by the retiring president, to complete and have typewritten such a helper for the convenience and use of the Department officers.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: Mrs. President, in regard to the expense, a number of members here have typewriters and it seems to me it could be done without expense to the Department. If the committee will prepare the report, I will have it typewritten.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: Mrs. President, I move that we adopt this resolution. Seconded by Lydia Dickson, No. 76, and carried.

Frederica Philpot, No. 26: I will read recommendation No. 2: That we re-establish the custom of exemplifying the Ritual at Department conventions, the work to be done by a corps selected by the President outside of the city in which the Convention is held. The same amended by the committee to read, "Without expense to the Department."

Kate Hanchett, No. 83: I would like to have one matter explained. Why put "outside of the city where the convention is held?"

Department President: My reason for that was because they had complained that where the convention is held there is so much to be done they did not have time to practice and get ready for this with all their own arrangements, and if a corps outside could do it, they could take all the time they wanted. The President could choose a corps close at hand.

Frederica Philpot, No. 26: Many of the corps would like to have this work put on just as we used to have it.

Eliza Moyer, No. 38: Mrs. President, I move that we adopt this recommendation. Seconded by many.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: Mrs. President, two years ago, I think, this matter was brought up in the convention at Mason City. I would like to ask when we are going to have time to attend the exemplification of the ritualistic work? I think our members owe it to the Grand



Army to attend their campfires, the two evenings we are in the city of the convention. We now make it a rule to have a short session on Tuesday. We did this year. It is now well on in the afternoon and we are not nearly through with our business. When would we have time for it this year? I think the District convention is the place to exemplify the ritual.

Marie L. Basham, No. 24: I agree with Miss Hanchett in regard to exemplifying the ritual. There is no time for it. This convention is small compared with many, and the larger the convention, the more there is to do. Tuesday afternoon is always set aside for the reception of the Grand Army and an open meeting. I am sure that we each and all want to go to the campfires and assure the comrades by our presence of our loyalty; and we enjoy the campfires. The District conventions are established for the purpose to do this work. There is no criticism and explanations when the ritual is exemplified at the Department convention as a rule. And, however hard they work, there will be little things creep in that should be corrected for the sake of the delegates. With all due respect to our President, I know she wants to please us all, but I really believe it would be a mistake for the Department to re-establish our ritualistic work.

Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56: Mrs. President, I have been asked that if I went to the convention, to in some way make a change, and have the exemplification of the ritual at the convention. And certainly in Des Moines your exemplification was most beautiful and we found time for everything. I think we can manage it some way. I know the ladies all over the state would come to see it. Perhaps some corps in the neighborhood would be glad to do this work. We can find time somewhere. Sit up a little later at night. I would be glad to see the old fashion.

Sarah A. Fox, No. 122: I think that those ladies who request this to be brought back, do not think that the organization is growing, and that it requires more work to hold a convention. It is a hard place to fill, Department President. We want the exemplification in the District Conventions where the work can be discussed, because we cannot do that in the State Convention. I remember when we did not have half the delegates we do now. I think we have more time in the district conventions.

Mary W. Hazard, No. 27: The District Conventions come so late in the year. The new President needs it earlier; the District Convention does not come until her year is nearly over. Our Corps has asked that it be changed if there can be some way to have it.

Sue Stanwood, No. 122: I am in favor of presenting it at our state conventions. We have no larger a membership in convention than we had two years ago. This convention numbers 246. We put it on at Muscatine when we had a larger convention. We simply had the time because it was on the program and had its place. I think it is best. A great many department officers are here to see the work. I think the work should be criticized. I am in favor of exemplifying it each year.

Lena T. Ring, No. 11: I am to go on record once more as favoring the exemplification of the ritual at Department conventions. Three-fourths of the ladies here will say it was the most attractive feature

of the conventions. (Applause.) I think we would have had ninety or one hundred more people here if you had exemplified the ritual. As for time, I will bet you we could find the time. There is no more work than years ago and we got through it. And as to the correction of the work, as it is going on or at the close, I have always thought myself as Sue Stauwood has said, that the work should be criticized.

It would be for the information and benefit of the delegates and should be corrected. It may be old fashioned, but what do we care? If it does us good, we want it. I think for the satisfaction of the Corps we should re-establish this custom. I do not believe it is necessary to bring in another Corps.

I am sure the ladies here from Ft. Dodge will bear me out when I say while it was hard work, it did them more good than anything else in the convention. I believe you will find that true everywhere. It may be hard for those in charge of the convention, but I think it would be worth it. (Applause.)

Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56: I know of several who did not come here because we did not exemplify. It is a beautiful feature. Another thing, this convention is not nearly so large as some conventions when we had exemplification of the ritual beautifully done. We ought to arrange it so we could go to a campfire.

Lulu White, No. 286: I want to ask, who will bear the expense of the Corps putting on the work? Will a Corps come and put this work on successfully and take it upon themselves to attend the convention at their own expense?

Department President: It was not expected that the Department would be to any expense. It was expected the President would choose a Corps outside of the city that would be ready to come to the convention and put the floor work on. (Applause.)

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: What have we our inspectors for? May I ask Mrs. Ring a question? Why did we have this extra session on Tuesday afternoon? (Mrs. Ring: Because we had nothing else to do.) Naturally a larger membership brings out a larger convention. I think we have not the time for it.

Laura Belle Walker, No. 11: I only wanted to say that if all these people who have staid away because the ritual has not been exemplified, that if they are not interested in all the other lines of our wonderful work, then I do not think they would be much benefited by even the exemplification.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: I want to go on record as not being in favor of the exemplification of the ritual. I think it would be taking a step backward. The convention is attraction enough and the exemplification is not a part of the convention. I do not believe in this attraction of exemplification. Many times in the past I have gone to exemplification feeling I must, out of courtesy to the entertaining Corps, when I should rather have gone to the campfire.

Nora Bryson, No. 45: Who will bear the expense of the outside Corps exemplifying? The motion was put and lost.

Frederica Philpot, No. 26: One more, ladies. That the President detail a capable worker, convincing speaker, one who can give all her time, if required, to travel over the state in the interest of organization and general upbuilding of the order. The same remuneration allowed her while in active service as is given the office of Secretary

and Treasurer, her expenses to be paid by the Corps, where practicable, otherwise by the Department.

Ida M. Smyth, No. 17: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report. Seconded by Flora E. Pond, No. 386, and discussed as follows:

Lizzie Bunger, No. 24: I would like to ask what are the duties of Aides?

Department President: All of the Aides know what their duties are. There are 154 corps lost since organization. We have only 203 corps. Nearly as many corps lost as we now have. We would have lost, I do not know how many last year, had not some special effort been put forth to keep them. We will lose more if we are indifferent to our welfare. This year we lost four. They might have been kept if we had had some lady who understood our work, to send to them. She should be a good speaker; a lady who has time, plenty of time, who will make it her special business. Our membership is growing, but think of the great curtailing of our territory all the while. And besides there is another organization doing everything possible to get members. They have an organizer and they use every means to make the comrades think the Corps will not last. I know I have had Aides who have helped to increase the membership this year; but there are Aides who do not understand the full importance of their duties. I wish you could know how much I appreciate all my Aides have done this year; I do love these Aides, but I wanted them for work and only for work many would be glad to do the work if they only understood about it. If we had an organizer this year they would have accomplished more.

Marie L. Brasham, No. 24: I just want to say that the little lady who just spoke has been one of the most faithful Aides the Department ever had. The first year that she was President she initiated twenty-eight members and the next year more than that. We are certainly proud of Mrs. Bunger.

Department President: If they were all like Mrs. Bunger we would not need anyone else, but that is just it exactly; they are not.

Addie E. Unangst, No. 34: I have said very little during this convention, but I want to say that if everyone present could read the beautiful letters that I have received from the Aides all over the state of Iowa telling me of the work they have done, and how true they are to the Department President. They did everything they could.

Margaret Gantz, No. 12: I want to say our Aide, since she was appointed, has initiated six and reinstated two and for the Post she has done more than that. Now our Aide has worked. I think every Aide is ready to do this work and it can be done without such an expense to the Department.

Lydia Dickson, No. 76: I have initiated five new members since January and there are four more to come in the next meeting. I have been at work ever since I have been in the Woman's Relief Corps.

Department President: There have been things said that have made me wish we had an organizer. They say to the old soldiers, we are nothing but an auxiliary and we will have to disband. Of course some of them are made to believe it.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: I would like to have that resolution

read. There is a point I would like to know about. (Mrs. Philpot again read the recommendation.) I think we have an I. and I. Officer especially to do this line of work. It would be much fairer to her instead of appointing another person, to pay her expenses and let her do the work. (Applause.)

Lena T. Ring, No. 11: I agree with Mrs. Berry that instead of creating more, it would be better to give the officer we have more authority and more money to carry out the work of the I. and I. Officer, as all we require in this work could be done by her and it seems to me better than creating a new office.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: Two years ago this discussion was up in regard to weak corps and it was carried that such money as was needed should be used to look after weak corps, so all the President had to do was use her judgment in its expenditure.

Department President: There was such a decision two years ago.

Belle C. Senn, No. 20: I would like to say a few words. I tell you ladies I know that if some influential Department Officer would have charge of this work it would help a great deal and would strengthen our cause and give us standing with the public. Or if a Past Department President was sent for inspector, it would be better; she understands the work and I think it would be best to send as Inspectors, past officers.

Senior Vice President put the question.

Past Department President Estella E. Plopper explained: Now, ladies, you understand the question is, "Are we to have an organizer and pay her traveling expenses, pay her per diem and her railroad fare?"

Sue Stanwood, No. 122: I understand this, that she travels to weak corps to strengthen them and asks them to pay for her expenses.

Lena T. Ring: Other organization have their organizers, why not the Woman's Relief Corps?

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: We have an individuality of our own. Let us not take into consideration what someone else does. (Applause.) If we have a woman who can do this work, let us make her our I. and I. Officer.

The vote was taken and the motion lost.

Ida M. Smyth, No. 17: Mrs. President, I move the report as a whole be adopted. Seconded by Louise Siefert, No. 83 and carried.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: Mrs. President, I move that One Hundred Dollars be used at the discretion of the Department President for recruiting purposes. Seconded by Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83. and carried.

The following ladies were nominated by their respective districts for District Delegate to the National Convention.

District.	9 Mary Hanson, No. 37.
1 Jessie Gleason, No. 164.	10 Anna Beaham, No. 122.
2 Margaret Hinman, No. 148.	11 Laura Belle Walker, No. 11.
3 Emma C. Spear, No. 208.	12 Anna Rebecca Willett, No. 234.
4 P. Jane Webber, No. 353.	13 Amy C. Capron, No. 24.
5 Nora Lusk, No. 283.	14 Julia I. Jennings, No. 264.
6 Nettie L. Ward, No. 38.	15 Annie E. Brown, No. 206.
7 Mittie E. Dodge, No. 147.	16 Lauretta Cowles, No. 134.
8 Mary Rogers, No. 26.	17 Margaret C. Gantz, No. 21.

Fannie E. Wardau, No. 62: Mrs. President, I move the Secretary be instructed to cast the entire ballot of this convention for these ladies for Delegate in their respective districts. Seconded by Annie W. Thorup, No. 194, and carried. Department President declared them duly elected.

The Secretary read the following names as the nominees for their respective districts for Alternates:

District.	9 Ellen J. Burgin, No. 258.
1 Della G. Miller, No. 58.	10 Mary Heesch, No. 34.
2 Jean D. Tompkins, No. 74.	11 L. Gertrude Anderson, No. 126.
3 Hattie Gilbert, No. 208.	12 Catherine Drew, No. 3.
4 Elsie B. Wade, No. 245.	13 Dawn B. Tullis, No. 24.
5 Lena D. Peters, No. 210.	14 Annie E. Crocker, No. 180.
6 Rebecca Squaires, No. 261.	15 Mary A. Tuttle, No. 140.
7 Mary C. Fisher, No. 20.	16 Alice McDonald, No. 330.
8 Carrie M. Johnston, No. 15.	17 Nora Bryson, No. 45.

Susan McGuire, No. 281: Mrs. President, I move the Secretary be instructed to cast the vote of the convention for the nominee to each respective district for District Alternate. Seconded by Georgia Wade McClelland and carried.

Amy C. Capron, No. 24: I want to thank the ladies of my district for choosing me to represent them.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO CARRY GREETINGS TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Georgia Wade McClelland, No. 56: Mrs. President and ladies of the convention, we were received as usual with great cordiality. We were hurried; nevertheless they appreciated our call and assured us that they were very glad to have us come and invited us to come again. It was just a very pleasing trip to every member of the committee. As I looked into the faces of the old comrades it seemed so pathetic to me. I cannot help but think their ranks are thinning; thinner than last year. Their encampment was not so large as last year, but they received us with applause as we came up on the platform. Mrs. President, I feel pleased and gratified and thank you for appointing me on this committee. (Applause.)

GEORGIA WADE McCLELLAN, No. 56.  
JENNIE I. BERRY, No. 11.  
SARAH A. FOX,  
ESTELLE PLOPPER, No. 48.  
FREDERICA PHILPOT, No. 26.  
IDA S. McBRIDE, Nat. President.  
CARRIE I. NETCOTT, No. 144.

Margaret Gantz, No. 21: Mrs. President, I move we accept the report of this committee. Seconded by Belle C. Senn, No. 20, and carried.

Mrs. Romans, No. 56, made further report on telegrams and greetings.

Annie E. Brown, No. 206: Mrs. President, I move that a greeting be sent to Soldier's Home to Janette S. Todd, a Past Department President, who is ill. Seconded by Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83, and carried.

Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56: Mrs. President, I wish to report that we have sent greetings to Department Chaplain, Nancy Clapp; to

three Past Department Presidents, Helen R. Griffith, Lizzie Hutchison and Georgia B. Worker, who are unable to be present with us at this time. Also to the Departments of Wisconsin and Oregon, who are in convention assembled at this time. I believe that is all.

Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56: Mrs. President, I move that we accept the report of the committee and the committee be discharged. Seconded by Susan Sherwood, No. 60, and carried.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: Mrs. President, the committee on resolutions offers the following:

Resolution No. 1 is the resolution before you yesterday on which the committee reported unfavorably and the report of the committee was adopted.

Resolution No. 2. Presented to the convention by the Convention of the Seventh District and signed by the District President and District Secretary:

Whereas, At the Department Convention a surplus of \$3,000 was reported; and, Whereas, At the same convention, it was voted that the amount of per capita tax be unchanged,

Be It Resolved, That the Secretary of this Seventh District Convention send a Memorial to the Department Convention of 1914, requesting that from this time forward until motion be rescinded, Twenty-five Dollars be paid to each Delegate or Alternate who attends the National Convention.

Approved by Committee on Resolutions with the recommendation the words "Twenty-five Dollars" be amended to read "Twenty Dollars."

Julia I. Jennings No. 164: Mrs. President, I move we adopt the report of the committee. Seconded by Annie Thorup, No. 194, and carried.

Resolution No. 3. Presented by Garfield Woman's Relief Corps. No. 264, signed by the president, secretary and a special committee.

Whereas, The present system of gavel calls used by the Woman's Relief Corps in preparing the ballot causes irregularity and confusion in forming line, Therefore

Be It Resolved: That the Department of Iowa petition National Convention that the ritual be changed to read that at the first tap of the gavel members seated at the right of the President shall rise, at the second tap shall step into line, and at the third tap shall face the President and march; after balloting and returning to their seats, tap shall seat the members, and at the same time shall be the signal for the members on the right.

Not approved by the Committee on Resolutions.

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Christian Snyder Romans, No. 56, and carried.

Resolution No. 4. Presented by the President and Secretary of the Nineteenth Iowa Regimental Association. Orman McPherson case.

We, your committee, appointed to investigate and report on the case of Orman McPherson, beg leave to submit the following: Whereas Orman McPherson has been confined in the penitentiary at Fort Madison for the past eighteen years, under a sentence unjustly imposed upon him, and

Whereas, He was a member of Company G 19th Iowa and served during the Civil War as a brave and efficient soldier, and

Whereas, His conduct in the prison during the eighteen years of his detention there has been exemplary and indorsed by the Warden and officials, and

Whereas, The officials of the 19th Iowa have investigated his case fully and have filed a request with this body for concerted action in his behalf, directed to the Governor of the State of Iowa, Therefore,

Be It Resolved, By the Convention of the Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps that we endorse the efforts made for the pardon of Orman McPherson and respectfully urge with all earnestness we possess that said pardon be extended to this old soldier without further delay.

The Committee on Resolutions, after careful investigation recommend that action in behalf of this comrade be left to individual members of the Woman's Relief Corps of Iowa.

Dawn Tullis, No. 24: Mrs. President, I move the report of the committee be sustained. Seconded by Helen R. South, No. 37.

Lydia Dickson, No. 76: The citizens of Ft. Madison salute this man. Everybody knows him and all respect him. My husband is his guard and he speaks well of him and he is allowed to go almost everywhere.

P. Jane Webber, No. 353: Is it not best to take this matter up with our representatives and senators? I would like to be advised.

Amy Robinson, No. 99: I would like to ask this question: If we take this matter up as individuals, what can we accomplish in comparison with the convention?

Ray M. Hanchett, No. 83: As I understand it this has been before the Board of Parole and before the Governor—in fact before two Governors. I am quite sure a great amount of evidence has been before the Board of Parole and I heartily approve the decision of the committee. We can act as individuals. I know from experience we have many people from many places in state institutions and if we were to hear every story it could not help but bring tears to your eyes. It may not be a good thing to write the Board of Parole when we realize what they have to do. I think we should approve the report of the committee.

Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56: I made inquiry of Past Department Commander Evans what the Grand Army of the Republic did about this matter and he said they did not go before the Board of Parole, but left it to individuals. He said we could address the Governor or the Board of Parole. I am interested in this man. I am interested in his face. We know only one side of his story. I wish the individual members would all write letters and make an effort to help this unfortunate comrade.

Department President: As many as feel like it, let us write the Governor asking him to pardon this man.

Estella E. Plopper, No. 48: Do the women write as a Relief Corps or as individuals; sign their own names?

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: We write as individual members of the Relief Corps.

Annie Thorup, No. 194: It will not have the effect on the Governor nor on any body else that it would have if the convention took up the matter. That is the reason the committee has put it in this way. If we wish to help the man, I believe we are agreed it would be the right thing to do. Let us ask for an especial pardon as a convention not as individuals.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: We are guided in our report by the action of the Grand Army of the Republic. The motion was put and carried.

Resolution No. 5: Presented by Comrade T. W. Lincoln, asking the endorsement and co-operation of the Department in the establishment of the Grand Army Advocate in Iowa. Covered by action on Recommendation No. 9, Department President's Address.

Resolution No. 6. Presented by Department Senior Aide. Resolved, That the incoming Department President appoint a committee to formulate a blank on which the Department Aides may report their work to the Senior Aide and that sufficient blanks be printed for the work of the coming year. Approved by the committee.

Fannie E. Warden, No. 62: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Lizzie Sturges, No. 87, and carried.

Resolution No. 7. Presented by the Committee on Resolutions. That the Thirty-first Convention of the Iowa Woman's Relief Corps, representing twelve thousand members of the order, earnestly protest against any attempt to rearrange the design of the flag of our country, or to change its familiar loved aspect. (Applause.)

Carrie I. Netcott, No. 144: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Amy C. Capron, No. 24, and carried unanimously by a rising vote.

Resolution No. 8. Presented by the Committee on Resolutions. That the incoming Department President take the necessary steps to have printed and distributed to every Iowa Corps, copies of Iowa's laws for the protection of the flag, that corps members throughout the state may become familiar with its provisions and be prepared to guard intelligently against desecration of the flag in the communities in which they reside.

Estella E. Plopper, No. 48: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of this resolution. Seconded by Barbara Groves, No. 24 and carried. Resolution No. 9. Whereas, The Thirty-first Annual Convention of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps has in its visit to the hostess city of Burlington received a most cordial welcome and the most careful thought for its comfort and pleasure, and

Whereas, The decorations and entertainment provided in honor of the Grand Army veterans, and the complete arrangements for their care have been remarkable in kind and character,

Be it resolved, That we, the members of the Iowa Woman's Relief Corps in Department Convention assembled, extend our warmest thanks and our assurance of grateful appreciation to the following: To C. L. Matthies Post and C. L. Matthies Corps for their loyal and capable work in superintending our entertainment and for the splendid results of their efforts.

To the city authorities and the commercial club of Burlington for their active enthusiastic work to the same end.



To the patriotic citizens of the town whose generosity made effective the work of the various committees appointed to minister to the needs of the visitors of the week.

Our gratitude is due the people and pastor of the Presbyterian church for tendering their church for the use of our convention.

We appreciate the co-operation received in the erection of a platform for the exercises attending our flag presentation.

We shall remember with especial pleasure the music furnished for our memorial services and the voices of the school children of Burlington as lifted in patriotic song.

The campfire and excursions which our delegates have enjoyed will add much to our memories of this convention week.

We recognize kindly favors and courtesies accorded us by the Burlington Press in reporting our conventions and reception.

In recognition of these things, and many more not here detailed the above resolutions are offered for consideration by the convention. Respectfully submitted

JENNIE IOWA BERRY, No. 11.

GEORGIA WADE McCLELLAN, No. 56.

LENA T. RING, No. 11.

MARY A. TUTTLE, No. 140.

Sarah A. Fox, No. 122: Mrs. President, I move we adopt these resolutions. Seconded by Mira L. Parker, No. 27 and carried.

Belle C. Senn, No. 20: Mrs. President, I move we adopt the report of the committee as a whole. Seconded by Mary A. Brown No. 20, and carried.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESS CORRESPONDENT'S REPORT.

Mae Pier, No. 37: Mrs. President, we, your committee, appointed to examine the Press Correspondent's report, find the same in most excellent condition. Signed by the committee.

MAE PIER No. 37.

LAURA MOORE, No. 254.

ANNA C. VanHOSEN, No. 27.

Martha Morgan, No. 299: Mrs. President, I move the adoption of the report of the committee. Seconded by Theriesa Schetgen, No. 299, and carried.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO LADIES G. A. R.

Elsie B. Wade, No. 245: To the Thirty-first Department Convention of Iowa. We as a committee to extend Greetings to the Ladies of the G. A. R., report a very cordial and loyal reception. The president received and welcomed us heartily with a hand-shake and an invitation to give a few remarks to their assembly, to which Belle C. Senn responded with her unfurled flags and a few well chosen words. After which Elsie B. Wade expressed her pleasure at being present in their convention. They presented us with their official badge, also a reception badge. We retired escorted by the colors while they sang "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again."

ELSIE B. WADE, No. 245.

BELLE C. SENN, No. 20.

SUE STANWOOD, No. 122.

Anna M. Kistner, No. 15: Mrs. President, I move the report of the committee be accepted. Seconded by Gertrude Anderson, No. 126, and carried.

Lena T. Ring No. 11: Mrs. President, I move the customary amount of Twenty-five Dollars be voted as a testimonial to the Department President. Seconded by Georgia Wade McClellan. Department Senior Vice President Fannie E. Warden put the question and it carried.

Sarah A. Fox, No. 122: I move that Ten Dollars be voted for the janitor of this church, ten dollars to the Assistant Secretary and ten dollars to the musician. Seconded by Susan Sherwood, No. 60, and carried.

Lu L. Schrack, No. 14: Mrs President, I want to bring a little matter before this convention. There have been three Bands of Mercy instituted this year that is along our line of work. The Band of Mercy at Shenandoah is the Mattie E. Witter Band of Mercy and we ought to be proud of it. (Applause.) The Pat. Inst. of the corps there solicited for flags for every schoolroom in the city and sent for flags long before the time. She has done so much patriotic work the past year. I wish you would present her to this convention.

Department President: I am glad you spoke of that. Ladies I want you to see and know Mrs. Green of Shenandoah. She is one of our Color Bearers. I wanted to honor her with this appointment. She will tell you something about her work.

Jennie J. Green, No. 250: Well, I wanted a flag for every schoolroom in town and there are twenty-five. When I start I thought I would ask only the Grand Army Post and the Relief Corps, but they were not able to buy them, so there was nothing for me to do but to find some way to get them. So I used this plan. I went to the mothers and asked them to give 75 cents to buy flags for the school rooms and I had no trouble whatever to get the money. Then we had exercises and presented them. Each child carried a flag for the schoolroom accompanied by a veteran. The teachers did all they could and we had a fine program with flag drills. It was all very nice. The papers called it "a burst of patriotism." They now salute the flag every Monday and Friday. (Applause.)

Lu L. Schrack, No. 14: I wanted you to tell what they said about Mrs. Witter. They said if she will only come we will give her a hearty welcome and meet her at the train. The children said that. (Applause.)

Department President: And they said the same of Mrs. Schrack. And she sent them a flag, too. She certainly did fine work.

Christine Snyder Romans, No. 56: I thought Denison did wonderfully in patriotic work this year, but Mrs. Green is far ahead of us. We gave three cash prizes for the best essays on Our Flag by the seventh and eighth grades. They had a fine program; prominent people came out and it was a fine time. I thought it was wonderful, but Shenandoah is away ahead of us.

Frederica Philpot, No. 26: We had a request from the War Department that we send our Department Journals; they wanted a complete file of our Journals. I sent all up to and including mine and I believe none have been sent since. I think if the Department President will, it will be best for her to take the matter up and send them to the

War Department, Washington, D. C. I move that she do this. Seconded by Georgia Wade McClellan and carried.

Convention Secretary read the minutes of the afternoon session and they were approved.

Department President announced that the Aide who reported having secured the greatest gain in membership and who was thereby entitled to the Recognition Pin would be mentioned in General Orders No. 2.

Department Secretary read the minutes of the first council meeting.

Georgia Wade McClellan, No. 56: Mrs. President, I move that we approve the minutes of the first council meeting. Seconded by Elizabeth Carter, No. 29, and carried.

Department Secretary read the minutes of the second council meeting.

L. Gertrude Anderson, No. 126: Mrs. President, I move we adopt the minutes of the second council meeting. Seconded by Georgia Wade McClellan and carried.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11: Mrs. President, I move that all unfinished business be referred to the incoming council. Seconded by Estella E. Plopper, No. 48, and carried.

Department President: Ladies, I want to say to the officers who have served me in this convention and throughout the year, that you have been most faithful and I assure you I deeply appreciate all you have done. My heart is full of love and kindly thought for you.

The Installing Officer is ready and I think all of our work is finished, so we will have the installation immediately.

Jennie Iowa Berry, No. 11, was the Installing Officer and installed the officers according to the ritual. Following is the list of officers.

Department President, Carrie I. Netcott, No. 144, Independence.

Senior Vice President, Sue Browning, No. 122, Muscatine.

Junior Vice President, Della Milliman, No. 283, Logan.

Treasurer, Mary W. Hazard, No. 27, Des Moines.

Chaplain, Emma Sackett, No. 117, Winterset.

Secretary, Edith S. Sill, No. 144, Independence.

Inspector, Nora L. Bryson, No. 45, Washington.

Counselor, Mattie E. Witter, No. 180, Council Bluffs.

I. and I. Officer, L. Gertrude Anderson, No. 126, Marion.

Patriotic Instructor, Lulu C. White, No. 286, Oskaloosa.

Editorial and Press Correspondent, Lu L. Schrack, No. 14, Parkersburg.

Chief of Staff, Frederica Philpot, No. 26, Dubuque.

Department Junior Vice President, Della Milliman, No. 283, Logan, and Department Chaplain, Emma Sackett, No. 117, Winterset, were absent.

Retiring Department President, Mattie E. Witter announced a council meeting at 8 p. m. at the Hotel Burlington.

Department President Carrie I. Netcott announced a meeting of the new council immediately after the old council meeting, in same room, and same place. Mrs. Netcott thanked the Installing Officer and assistants

and declared the Thirty-first Department Convention closed.

I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the foregoing is an accurate and correct account of the proceedings of the Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Iowa.

MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Past Department President.

### MINUTES OF THE FIRST COUNCIL MEETING.

Des Moines, Iowa, June 12, 1913, 10 p. m.  
Headquarters Savery Hotel.

The meeting was called to order in Parlor A by the Department President Mattie E. Witter with eleven members present, as follows: President, Mattie E. Witter; Senior Vice President, Fannie E. Wardan; Junior Vice President, Mary A. Tuttle; Secretary, Alice Cooper; Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd; Counselor, Sarah A. Fox; Inspector, Carrie I. Netcott; I. and I. Officer, Elsie B. Wade; Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack; Editress and Press Correspondent, Anna M. Kistner. Executive Board: Mary E. Snyder, Chairman; Second Member, Emma H. Sheetz; Fourth Member, Margaret E. Meyers. Prayer was offered for Divine guidance and strength for the work of the new year by Mary E. Snyder. The President called for the minutes of the afternoon session of the Department Convention, not previously read. The minutes were not prepared for reading. Moved by Mary E. Snyder, seconded by Sarah A. Fox that the Convention Secretary, Rettie M. Greer, be permitted to complete her records and place them in the hands of the President for publication in the Journal. Carried. A motion was made by Fannie E. Wardan, seconded by Sarah A. Fox, that five dollars be allowed to the President, ten dollars to the Treasurer and fifteen dollars to the Secretary for postage. Carried. Moved by Mary E. Snyder, seconded by Mary A. Tuttle, that the President be empowered to approve all bills of Department Officers without referring them to the Council. Motion prevailed. A motion was made by Elsie B. Wade, seconded by Mary E. Snyder, that the President be authorized to fill all vacancies to the National Convention; motion prevailed. Sarah A. Fox moved that the President be empowered to secure all necessary stationery. Seconded by Mary Tuttle. Carried. Moved by Fannie Wardan, seconded by Mary Tuttle, that we adjourn, subject to the President's call. Carried. Respectfully submitted in

F. C. and L.,

MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Department President.

ALICE COOPER,  
Department Secretary.

### MINUTES OF THE SECOND COUNCIL MEETING.

Burlington, Iowa, June 16, 1914, 9 a. m.  
Headquarters, Burlington Hotel.

The session of the Second Council Meeting was called to order by the Department President, Mattie E. Witter, and opened with prayer by Mary E. Snyder. Eleven Department Officers were present, namely -

President, Mattie E. Witter; Senior Vice President, Fannie E. Wardan; Junior Vice President, Mary A. Tuttle; Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd; Secretary, Alice Cooper; Inspector, Carrie I. Netcott; Counselor, Sarah A. Fox; I. and I. Officer, Elsie B. Wade; Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack; Edittress and Press Correspondent, Anna M. Kistner; Chairman of Executive Board, Mary E. Snyder. The minutes of the first council meeting were read and approved. Sarah A. Fox reported that her bill for postage as Counselor amounted to 68 cents, but requested that no money order be drawn for same. A motion was made by Elsie B. Wade, seconded by Sarah A. Fox, that the Council recommend that the Committee on Resolutions formulate and present to Convention a resolution that all courtesies in the way of gifts be presented at open meetings of the Convention or at the beginning or close of business sessions, to avoid interruption in the order of business. Carried. Moved by Carrie Netcott, seconded by Mary Snyder, that the Department Treasurer credit the Department with fifty-two returned badges of disbanded Corps and that as far as practicable these be supplied with new ribbons and utilized. Moved by Cornelia Dodd, seconded by Fannie Wardan, that useless supplies be ordered destroyed to save expense of expressage. Motion sustained. Mary E. Snyder reported the serious illness of Department Chaplain Nancy Clapp, and brought her greetings and regrets to the Council. Mary Snyder, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, reported the auditing of Secretary's and Treasurer's books and finding them correct and in excellent condition. The President spoke with appreciation of the efforts of Department Officers. Moved by Carrie Netcott, seconded by Elsie Wade, that we adjourn, subject to call of President. Carried.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Department President.

ALICE COOPER,  
Department Secretary.

### THE THIRD COUNCIL MEETING.

Headquarters, Burlington Hotel, June 18, 1914.

Session called to order by Department President, Mattie E. Witter. Opened by repeating the Lord's Prayer. Response to roll call: President, Mattie E. Witter; Senior Vice President, Fannie E. Wardan; Junior Vice President, Mary A. Tuttle; Secretary, Alice Cooper; Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd; Inspector Carrie I. Netcott; Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack. Moved by Lu Schrack, seconded by Mary A. Tuttle, that the President be empowered to draw orders for Convention and other unpaid bills, and that all other business that may be overlooked, be referred to the incoming Council. Carried. Moved by Carrie Netcott, seconded by Anna M. Kistner, that the Secretary extend sympathy by letter to Mary Snyder, who had to leave on account of being ill. The President referred to the adjustment of the controversy at No. 287, by agreement to drop the letters W. R. C., also the satisfactory adjustment at No. 158. Moved by Fannie Wardan, seconded by Mary A. Tuttle that we adjourn. Carried. Meeting closed with singing, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Department President.

ALICE COOPER,  
Department Secretary.

**DECISIONS OF THE THIRTY-FIRST CONVENTION.**

That a committee of two be appointed, one by the incoming President and one by the retiring President, to compile and have typewritten a helper for the convenience and use of the Department officers.

That 75 remain the basis for representation to Department Convention.

That the per capita tax remain the same, ten cents per member and one-third cent per member be transferred quarterly to the Relief Fund.

That District Conventions be continued under the direction and supervision of the Department President.

That we continue the decision of the Seventeenth Annual Convention, "That a report be written by the Secretary of each Corps concerning the work of the year which shall be read and approved at a Corps meeting, the President's signature affixed, and the report read by the delegate at District Convention."

That the delegate to District Convention be elected in the usual manner of electing delegates.

That the Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps, accept the Grand Army Advocate as their official organ and use it freely for the advancement of our principles and give their patronage and influence in making it a successful patriotic paper.

That we remember each Army nurse at Christmas time with a small greeting of \$5.00.

That the Memorial day of the members of the Woman's Relief Corps be held in June, the day to be left optional with the Corps.

That from this time forward until motion be rescinded, twenty dollars be paid to each Delegate or Alternate who attends the National Convention.

That action in behalf of Orman McPherson be left to individual members of the Woman's Relief Corps of Iowa.

That the incoming Department President appoint a committee to formulate a blank on which the Department Aides may report their work to the Senior Aide and that sufficient blanks be printed for the work of the coming year.

That one hundred dollars be used at the discretion of the Department President for recruiting purposes.

That the usual testimonial of twenty-five dollars be given the retiring Department President.

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That all unfinished business be referred to the incoming Council.

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### UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Burlington, located in a natural amphitheatre of limestone bluffs, and facing the right bank of that mighty stream known as the Father of Waters, was most felicitously situated to contribute to the pleasure of delegates and visitors attending the Fortieth G. A. R. encampment and the Thirty-first W. R. C. Convention.

Frequent excursions planned on this fine stream were joyous occasions. The hostess city received unstinted praise for its hospitality and beautiful decorations.

Flags in great profusion stretched in lines across the street formed a canopy of waving emblems that was a beautiful and inspiring sight.

The tread of thousands of feet moving along the streets was hushed in the melody of patriotic airs, while the sound of the drum and fife, and attractive decorations of the Stars and Stripes gave a sense of National import to the gathering.

The first formal event of the G. A. R. encampment took place Tuesday at 11 a. m., June 16, when a handsome American flag was presented to the Prospect Hill school by the W. R. C., with beautiful and appropriate ceremonies. "The Star Spangled Banner" was played by the Orchard City band. The school children, the little girls dressed in white, waving flags, sang, "Columbia." The beautiful Stars and Stripes rose to the summer breeze.

Department Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack of Parkersburg, made the presentation as follows: To the Friends and Representatives of Prospect Hill School of Burlington:

This occasion is one of pleasure to me. I come to you from the Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Iowa to present to your school a flag in the name of the Grand Army of the Republic. Each year we wish to leave in the city where our meeting is held a flag as a remembrance of our coming. We want you to remember that the Woman's Relief Corps deems it its highest privilege to present to the pupils of a public school this emblem of freedom. We want you to realize the price which was paid for this emblem of liberty and freedom by the soldiers of the Union who bought it with their lives. Bought it for us. Loved this flag and the country over which it waves so well that they were willing to sacrifice their all that it might be preserved to us.

The Woman's Relief Corps has been organized to assist them in their material wants as they are traveling on the downward hill of life. We assist them in the dearest wish of their hearts that the young men and women of our country may grow up to be just as true, just as loyal, just as patriotic, as were they who in their youth and manhood marched in other days to the battle fields to defend a nation's honor. And that is why we bring this flag to you; that you may learn from it lessons of patriotism and love of country. May each pupil of this school resolve as they look upon its folds of white so pure, of blue so true, of red so loving, that he will make of himself a man of uprightness and honesty; that he will ever be loyal to his country and to the principles of freedom and justice; that he will love his flag and the Union forever.

It is now 138 years since the United States of America was composed of thirteen states, the greater number of which had a population of little more than that of the average city today. Those thirteen states have grown and multiplied, until there is now forty-eight states with a population of nearly 100,000,000 of the strongest race of men on the earth. The words "United States of America" are an inspiration and a help to the oppressed of all lands. The Union gleams out through the world as a gigantic monument of freedom, and the lowly and persecuted of all nations have their eye turned toward America with the hope that some day they may reach the promised land. The American flag is the oldest flag among the nations of today. The Star Spangled Banner has a history unlike the flag of any other people.

The flag was unfurled the first time over the camp of the Continental army on the 2d day of January, 1776, and it floats today over a nation of free men and women who will never see it disgraced or insulted. Especial interest attaches to the waving of our flag this year, as it is the hundredth anniversary of the writing of the "Star Spangled Banner" which has been adopted by the War Department as our National anthem.

On behalf of the Woman's Relief Corps of Iowa, in the name of the men who fought on southern battle fields to defend it, I present to you this emblem of liberty. Long may it wave.

(The flag was drawn up to the support across the street. Miss Lelia Horton, dressed as the Goddess of Liberty pulled the string which released a quantity of little silk flags attached to the top of the big flag, and these floated gracefully down among the spectators.)



Your flag and mine. How proudly there  
It flutters on the noonday breeze.  
And, who, beholding it shall dare  
To turn in doubt, or let despair  
Assail his noble ecstasies?

Your flag and mine. And ours to guard  
So that in future centuries  
Still proudly striped and bravely starred,  
Unsmirched by shame, by wrong unmarred,  
Its might shall thrill, its beauty please.

Your flag and mine. And shall we let  
Its glory die or splendor fade?  
Who doubts that freedom flaunts it yet,  
Or dares to heedlessly forget  
By selfishness or passion swayed?

Your flag and mine. And ours to hold  
In tender reverence, unafraid,  
Our faith adoring every fold,  
In virtue strong, in honor bold,  
Its grace to all the world displayed.

Your flag and mine. How splendidly  
It flutters out against the sky!  
How glorious it is to see!  
How fair to you, how dear to me!  
Most proud of all the flags that fly.

Your flag and mine. And ours to keep  
Unsoiled, unshamed, and waving high.  
Our trust unfeigned, our courage deep,  
For those whom after we shall sleep  
It shall inspire and glorify.

Arnold Wilke, a pupil of Prospect Hill school, in accepting the flag said: The Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Iowa, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic: To you this morning the teachers and pupils of Prospect Hill school are deeply grateful for the beautiful gift you have bestowed upon them in so impressive a manner; it will always be a pleasure for them to remember.

No flag our school could ever purchase could possibly equal this flag in value, for coming as it has, from you, noble women, who proved yourselves to be among the bravest in our land when that land was in peril, this gift of the stars and stripes has an almost sacred value.

Prospect Hill school has a right to feel honored today and we hope to prove worthy of the honor you have placed upon us. And we shall treasure this beautiful emblem of freedom as a priceless heritage. We thank you. (Applause.)

The children sang "The Star Spangled Banner. It was estimated the audience numbered 2,000 people and the applause was most enthusiastic.

The reception held Tuesday afternoon, June 16, at the Hotel Burlington. Department headquarters of the Woman's Relief Corps, was a

social event that will be long remembered. Over a thousand persons were in attendance. Governor Clark and staff, Commander-in-chief: Washington Gardner of Detroit and Senior Aide; Ida S. McBride of Indianapolis, National President, W. R. C.; Department Commander G. A. R., J. W. Willett and wife; Sons of Veterans; Past National President Jennie I. Berry; Past National Secretary Georgia Wade McClellan; Past Department Officers, Department President Mattie E. Witter and husband and Department Official Staff formed the receiving line. Frappe was served by the ladies of No. 62, Burlington Corps and an orchestra furnished delightful music. The Chief of Staff Addie E. Unangst and Aides had charge of this social function. Splendid campfires were great events of the encampment. More than a thousand people were present at each camp-fire held at the Grand Opera House. Intense attention was given by the vast audience to powerful addresses of Governor Clark, Washington Gardner, Commander-in-chief of the G. A. R.; J. W. Willett, Department Commander of the G. A. R. of Iowa; John McElroy, Editor of the National Tribune; Ida S. McBride of Indianapolis, National President, W. R. C.; Past Department Commander David Palmer; Past Department President W. R. C. Estella Plopper and other eloquent speakers, and to a most cordial address of welcome by Mayor Cross of Burlington. A fine program of war songs by the band and soul-stirring vocal music were pleasing features.

The following description was given as seen by one of our Past Department Presidents in attendance:

"One of the most enjoyable events of the week was the great camp-fire Wednesday evening in the lobby of the Hotel Burlington, participated in by the Grand Army and Woman's Relief Corps. Old Glory was in every hand, waving and marking time.

"All the old war songs and patriotic selections were sung with a will. The volume of sound attracted passersby who came in to listen and fired by the patriotic spirit so evident, remained to join in the singing, which lasted nearly one hour. There were many noticeably fine voices among the Grand Army men and 'The Star Spangled Banner' took on new meaning when sung by the men who followed it for three years through weary marches, defended it on many battle fields, and returned from the front with it the sole emblem of their 'native land,' made by their sacrifices, truly a 'sweet land of Liberty.'

"Who then should sing with more power or more reverence of 'My Country' than the men who wore the Blue? The memory of that scene, and the melody of those triumphant voices will always stir the memory. God bless the veterans, and give them many happy reunions with their comrades."

The Gettysburg Association gathered at a luncheon. Sociability reigned supreme.

Prescriptions of good fellowship were enjoyed at a breakfast for the Past Department Presidents' Association, with Jennie I. Berry as hostess.

Generous citizens of Burlington furnished many automobiles for the pleasure of their guests.

Ideal weather prevailed throughout the encampment and added much to the pleasure and comfort of the veterans.

The Grand Parade at 1:30 p. m., June 17, was an inspiring and memorable event.

Enormous throngs cheered heartily as 1,800 soldiers, survivors of the great Civil war, marched in grand review, keeping step and bearing the flags of their regiments, with the spirit of the boy of '61.

The National Association of Civil War Musicians were represented by over sixty members and they played their fifes and beat their drums with the old-time spirit.

One of the delightful features of the whole day was the work of the children's chorus of more than a thousand voices. The veterans bared their heads as they listened with special delight to the National hymn and joined in the chorus with them in "Marching through Georgia."

## Letters and Telegrams of Greeting

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Indianapolis, Ind., March 19, 1914.

My Dear Mrs. Witter:

Thanks for the invitation to attend your Convention, which I am planning to accept. I think I will reach Burlington some time the 16th and probably will have to leave the evening of the 17th for Lansing, Mich. Kindly send me your program. I am hoping to be accompanied by my husband, Judge McBride, who was a resident of Iowa before the war, and he is very desirous to attend the Iowa encampment. Wishing you a successful conclusion of your year's work. Very sincerely yours,

IDA S. McBRIDE,  
National President, W. R. C.

Council Bluffs, Iowa, June 12, 1914.

To the Thirty-first Annual Convention, W. R. C., Burlington, Iowa.  
Greeting:

The members of Abe Lincoln W. R. C., No. 180, wish to officially acknowledge the great honor which it has been our privilege to enjoy the past year of having had the Department President and Department Secretary chosen from among our members. We most heartily appreciate the honor and truly feel that it was a mutual recognition of our Corps and of the untiring devotion of our sisters.

We most sincerely believe that no two officers could have been found that would have filled the offices of Department President and Department Secretary in a more worthy, efficient, conscientious or loyal manner than our Mrs. Witter and Mrs. Cooper.

INEZ A. SHERMAN,	In F. C. and L.,
Secretary.	EMMA ALEXANDER,
	President.

Union, Oregon, June 3, 1914.

My dear President:

I acknowledge with pleasure your very cordial invitation to attend your Convention, with regrets that I cannot accept.

Please convey to your Convention my greetings. I am sure you will have a most delightful close of your year's work, which you richly deserve.

I have read with much interest and pleasure your General Orders, they being among the best I have received from any source.

Thanking you for courtesies extended, I remain, with assurances of high regard.

Sincerely yours in F. C. and L.,  
CORA M. DAVIS,  
Past National President, W. R. C.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 22, 1914.

Mrs. Mattie E. Witter,

Department President W. R. C., Council Bluffs, Iowa.

My dear Mrs. Witter:

I regret very much that I cannot accept your good invitation to be present at your Convention. While our President is away, I presume I shall find plenty to do at headquarters.

Wishing you a pleasant and profitable time, I am

Sincerely in F. C. and L.,

CATHERINE M. HOSTER,

National Secretary.

Ritzville, Wash., June 7, 1914.

Mattie E. Witter, Department President of W. R. C.,

Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dear Department President:

I am very sorry to have to decline you kind invitation to visit your Thirty-first Department Convention, but extend my best wishes.

Loyally yours in F. C. and L.

MYRA BENNINGTON,

Department President of Washington-Alaska W. R. C.

Alva, Okla., May 9, 1914.

Mattie E. Witter,

Department President:—

Your kind invitation to attend your Annual Convention received. I herewith acknowledge my appreciation for the courtesy extended and regret I cannot be with you. I send greetings from the Department of Oklahoma for a prosperous and harmonious Convention.

Sincerely yours in F. C. and L.,

(Mrs.) ELLA RENFREW,

Department President of Oklahoma.

Alexandria, S. D., June 1, 1914.

Mattie E. Witter,

Department President, Iowa.

Dear President:

Your kind invitation to be with you at your Annual Convention. I should be most happy to attend, but regret to say I can not come, as I shall be very busy at that time getting ready for our own.

Thanking you for remembering me and for General Orders received, I am

Yours very sincerely,

NELLIE CHAPMAN.

You have my best wishes for a fine Convention.

Burlington, Vt., May 18, 1914.

Mrs. Mattie E. Witter, Department President:

Please accept my thanks for your kind invitation to be present

at your Department Convention held at Burlington, Iowa, June 16. I greatly regret that distance will prevent my attendance.

May you have a profitable and harmonious Convention.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

ETTA K. MARTIN,

Past Department President of Vermont.

Herndon, Va., June 2, 1914.

Dear Mrs. Witter:

Please present my greetings to the members of your Convention also my regrets that I cannot be present during what I know will be a profitable and harmonious session.

Accept my congratulations upon a prosperous administration

In F. C. and L.,

MARY M. NORTH.

Indianapolis, Ind., June 2, 1914.

Dear Mrs. Witter:

Department President, Iowa W. R. C.,

Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dear Mrs. Witter

Wishing with all my heart that you may have one of the best Department Conventions that Iowa Patriotic Sisters are famous for. Trusting we may meet again at Detroit, Mich, in September, I beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,

CAPT. WALLACE FOSTER.

Lincoln, April 28, 1914.

Mrs. Mattie E. Witter,

Department President, Iowa.

Dear President:

I **would** be very glad indeed to be with you in Convention, but will not be able to enjoy that pleasure. Wishing you a very fine Convention, I am

Yours in F. C. and L.,

MINNIE D. BELL,

Department President, Nebraska.

Toledo, Ohio, June 1, 1914.

Department of Iowa, Greetings:

The Department of Ohio sends you best wishes for a prosperous and harmonious Convention.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

KATE G. RAYNOR and Committee,

For the Department of Ohio W. R. C.

St. Joseph, April 28, 1914.

It would delight me exceedingly to meet with you in Convention, but on account of previous engagements, I am obliged to decline your

kind invitation This Department wishes you a most pleasant and harmonious gathering

Yours sincerely in F. C. and L.,  
HATTIE M. BEACH,  
Department President.

Parkersburg, W. Va., April 23, 1914.

Mrs. Mattie E. Witter,

Department President, W. R. C., Iowa.

My dear President:

Am in receipt of your most cordial invitation to be present at your Convention. It would be a very great pleasure indeed to be able to do so, but finding it impossible, am sending greetings and best wishes for a most successful Convention.

I am yours in F. C. and L.,  
MYRTIE ROACH,  
President Department of W. Va.

New York, April 24, 1914.

Mrs. Mattie E. Witter,

Department President, Iowa W. R. C.,

Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dear President:

Invitation to be present at the Thirty-first Annual Convention to be held June 16-18, at Burlington, Iowa, received. Please accept thanks for same.

My very best wishes for a pleasant and profitable Convention. May yours be one of the best ever held by your Department.

Yours in fraternity Charity and Loyalty,  
JULIA A. MOYNIHAN,  
Department President.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 27, 1914.

Mrs. Mattie E. Witter,

Department President, W. R. C.,

Council Bluffs, Iowa.

My dear Mrs. Witter:

I have just received your invitation to be present at the Thirty-first Annual Convention of your Department and regret very much that I cannot accept it and have the pleasure of meeting you and your co-workers; but I can wish you a successful Convention and do so with all my heart.

Thanking you for the courtesy of the invitation, I am

Yours sincerely in F. C. and L.,  
ABBIE LYNCH.,  
National Treasurer.

Attleboro, Mass., May 30, 1914.

Mrs. Mattie E. Witter,

Department President, W. R. C.

My dear Mrs. Witter:

"Had I the wings of a dove" I would surely bring to you in person,

my hearty greetings to Convention assembled. I shall be with you in thought, and wish you a most harmonious and successful Convention, as I know it will be. My hearty congratulations upon a profitable year's work. I am

Cordially yours in F. C. and L.,

ELIZA BROWN-DAGETT,  
Past National Senior V.-Pres., W. R. C.

Oregon City, Ore., June 3, 1914

Mattie E. Witter,

Department President, Iowa.

My dear President:

The Department of Oregon sends you greetings and wishes you a pleasant and successful Convention. May your Convention be the crowning glory of your administration.

Sincerely yours in F. C. and L.

ROSINA FOUTS-EVANS,  
Department President of Oregon.

Omaha, Nebr., May 20, 1914,

Mattie E. Witer,

Department President, Iowa.

My dear Mrs. Witter:

I received your kind invitation to attend your Department Convention and greatly regret my inability to do so. I extend loving greetings to your Convention and to you, personally. I hope Iowa will have one of the most successful and harmonious Conventions in its history.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

LILLIAN P. Eddy,  
Past National Press Correspondent.

Emporia, Kas., June 10, 1914.

Mattie E. Witter,

Department President, W. R. C.,

Council Bluffs, Iowa.

My dear Mrs. Witter:

I am in receipt of your invitation to attend your Convention and I wish it were possible to accept, but at this writing, I am unable to do so. However, you have my very best wishes for a successful meeting which I feel sure you will have.

I thank you for the General Orders sent me during the year and I want you to know that they have been appreciated. Please remember me with kindly thoughts to all the Iowa girls.

I am yours in F. C. and L.,

BELLE C. HARRIS,  
Past National President.

Fredonia, Kas., April 4, 1914.

Dear President:

Your invitation to be present at your Department Convention was duly received. I wish it were possible for me to be with you. Thank-



ing you kindly for the invitation and hoping you may have a pleasant and successful Convention, I am,

Yours in F. C. and L.,  
MAGGIE DORNBLASER.

368 Congress St., Boston, Mass., Jan. 20, 1914.

Mattie E. Witter,

Department President, W. R. C.,

330 11th avenue, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

My dear President:

Please accept my sincere appreciation of the very great honor you pay me in inviting me to be present at the Thirty-first Annual Convention of your Department to be held at Burlington in the month of June. Nothing could give me greater pleasure than to be present, but I doubt very much if I can have that privilege. Nevertheless, I thank you for your kindly consideration.

With high regard and best wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully in F. C. and L.,  
E. B. Stillings,

Fort Dodge, June 15, 1914.

My dear Mrs. Witter:

I send greetings to your Department Convention. I was so in hopes I could be with you this time, but I am not able to take the trip. May you have a prosperous and harmonious Convention.

Sincerely yours in F. C. and L.,

NETTIE GUILD,  
Past Department Senior Vice President.

Chariton, Iowa, June 17, 1914.

Christine Romans,

Burlington, Iowa.

Greetings of Convention of Women's Relief Corps received. Thanks and best wishes for Convention, I am convalescing nicely.

NANCY CLAPP.

## General Orders

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Headquarters Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps,  
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.  
Council Bluffs, Iowa, June 17, 1913.

### GENERAL ORDERS

#### No. 1.

Having been elected and installed President of the Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps at the thirtieth annual convention held in Des Moines, June 10 to 12, 1913, I hereby assume the duties and responsibilities of the office, establishing headquarters at Council Bluffs, Iowa, where a welcome will be extended to members of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Woman's Relief Corps and all patriotic organizations.

I appreciate the honor conferred upon me and to every member of our order I extend greetings:

"In unity there is strength."

The following Department officers were elected:

President—Mattie E. Witter, Council Bluffs.

Senior Vice-President—Fannie E. Wardan, Burlington.

Junior Vice-President—Mary A. Tuttle, Greenfield.

Treasurer—Cornelia T. Dodd, Algona.

Chaplain—Nancy Clapp, Chariton.

#### Executive Board.

Mary E. Snyder, East Des Moines, 1324 Walker street, Chairman.

Emma H. Sheetz, Williamsburg.

Lennie W. Pickett, Marshalltown.

Margaret E. Meyers, Missouri Valley.

Elizabeth Beal, Belle Plaine.

Delegate-at-Large—Flora E. Pond, Oskaloosa.

Alternate-at-Large—Mary W. Bixby, Des Moines.

#### District Delegates.

##### Delegates—

Jessie McKay, Decorah.

Jean Tompkins, Clear Lake.

Adah Stephenson, Spencer.

Elsie B. Wade, Akron.

Lizzie Sturges, Sioux City.

Naomi Bradley, Jefferson.

Anna Steigerwalt, Ames.

Kate Hanchett, Waverly.

Mary Hansen, Dubuque.

Christie Hickey, Davenport.

##### Alternates—

Jennie Clark, Cresco.

Mame Kearney, Mason City.

Eva Willett, Manson.

Emma R. Meader, Sibley.

Evelyn Parke, Moville.

Ella R. Coe, Sac City.

Amanda Swick, Boone.

Anna Kistner, Waterloo.

Kate McCurdy, Hazelton.

Kittie B. Gay, Davenport.

Anna Larkins, Iowa City.  
 Anna Lattimer, Newton.  
 Lettie Hanger, Des Moines.  
 Inez Sherman, Co. Bluffs.  
 Matilda Smith, Bedford.  
 Flora E. Pond.  
 Laura Kitchen, Mt. Pleasant.

Laura B. Walker, Marion.  
 Susie Carter, Monroe.  
 Mary W. Bixby, Des Moines.  
 Abbie Hauley, Tabor.  
 Ella Smith, Greenfield.  
 Mira O. McFarland, Chariton.  
 Ella M. Thomas, Keokuk.

### Department Special Aides.

Georgie Wade McClellan, Denison.  
 Helen R. Griffith, Cedar Falls.  
 Christine Snyder Romans, Denison.  
 Georgie Worker, Davenport.  
 Mira L. Parker, Des Moines.  
 Jennie Iowa Berry, Cedar Rapids.  
 Frederica Philpot, Dubuque.  
 Estella Plopper, Iowa Falls.  
 Lena T. Ring, Cedar Rapids.  
 Marie L. Basham, Des Moines.  
 Mary A. Brown, Wyoming.

Jennie Whedon, Winterset.  
 Ray M. Hanchett, Waverly.  
 Sarah Fox, Muscatine.  
 Kate Hanchett, Waverly.  
 Ida M. Smyth, Chariton.  
 Nettie Guild, Fort Dodge.  
 Mary Gantz, Burlington.  
 Olivia Talcott, Maynard.  
 Celia Holman, Mason City.  
 Camilla Hall, Woodbine.  
 Nettie Brown, Council Bluffs.

### Department Aides.

Margaret Stover .....	337	Emma Brown .....	225
Lydia W. Nott.....	126	Eliza Chambers .....	324
Elizabeth Saunders .....	37	Anna Visnow .....	245
Florence Davie .....	210	Mary Fuller .....	82
Belle F. Bryte .....	250	Alice Appelgate .....	111
Julia I. Jennings.....	264	Maude Sperlin .....	310
Alice F. Gillett.....	178	Addie St. John.....	289
Luella Gilmore .....	214	Jennie Reed .....	255

An Aide in every Corps is earnestly desired. It will be the especial duty of the Aide to quicken an interest in the work, to promote the spirit of love and harmony, to guard against loss of membership by suspension through indifference or lack of proper notification; to work to secure the re-instatement of the suspended, to serve as a vigilant and active recruiting officer; to help crown the year's work with a membership of 12,000 loyal, patriotic women at its close.

The following appointments are announced:

Secretary—Alice Cooper, Council Bluffs.

Inspector—Carrie I. Netcott, Independence.

Counselor—Sarah A. Fox, Muscatine.

I. and I. Officer—Elsie B. Wade, Akron.

Patriotic Instructor—Lu L. Schrack, Parkersburg.

Editress and Press Correspondent—Anna M. Kistner, Waterloo.

Chief of Staff—Addie E. Unangst, Davenport.

**Relief Committee.**

Chairman—Abbie Hanley, Tabor, 344.

Emma S. Bennett, Lenox, 136.

Sylvia A. Barger, Clarinda, 71.

**Soldiers' Home Board.**

Mary Hazard, Des Moines, No. 27.

Margaret Hinman, Belmond, No. 148,

Mae Pier, Dubuque, No. 37.

Celia White, Marshalltown, No. 9.

Amy C. Capron, East Des Moines, No. 24.

Further appointments and decisions of the thirtieth annual convention will appear in future orders.

Enclosed with these orders are:

The new Department password, which Corps Presidents will decipher, then please destroy.

Blanks for quarter ending June 30th. Corps Presidents will see that these blanks are properly filled out and mailed before July 5th to Alice Cooper, Department Secretary, 803 6th avenue, Council Bluffs, with the per capita tax enclosed, made payable to Cornelia T. Dodd, Department Treasurer, Algona.

Orders National Press Correspondent.

Letter from the Department President.

Elsie B. Wade, the Department I. and I. officer, Akron, will be glad to hear of any location favorable for the organization of new corps.

The thirtieth-ninth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic elected as Commander Judge J. W. Willett, Tama, Iowa. To the Commander, his staff and their great organization the Woman's Relief Corps send greetings and again pledge allegiance and loyalty to our noble cause.

MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Dept. President.

ALICE COOPER,  
Dept. Secretary

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF IOWA, WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,  
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA, JULY 12, 1913.

GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 2

The following decisions of the Thirtieth Annual Convention are hereby promulgated:

No. 1. That our per capita tax remain unchanged,—ten cents per member per quarter, and that one-half cent per member each quarter be transferred from the General Fund to the Relief Fund.

No. 2. That District Conventions be continued under the supervision and direction of the Department President.

No. 3. That the Recognition Pin be given to the President of the Corps having the largest number of initiations during the year.

No. 4. That the Convention appropriate fifty dollars from the Relief Fund for Hattie Ehrmin, army nurse. That fifty dollars be given Georgia Wade McClellan, army nurse, and our esteemed co-worker to help bear her expenses to the Gettysburg Anniversary.

No. 5. That the Patriotic Instructor be not limited to twenty-five dollars, if the work required a greater expenditure.

No. 6. That twenty-five dollars be given as a testimonial to the retiring President.

No. 7. That the usual testimonial of ten dollars each be granted to the Convention Secretary, Musician and Janitor.

No. 8. That the Department of Iowa petition the Thirty-first National Convention, W. R. C., to amend Chapter II., Article VIII., Section VIII., Rules and Regulations by inserting at the beginning of the second paragraph the words: "She shall forward immediately after installation, her full name and address to Department Patriotic Instructor."

No. 9. That the Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps acknowledge with deep appreciation the generous entertainment extended our Thirtieth Annual Convention by Iowa's capital city.

No. 10. That in token of the same, and of the work of those who have attended to the many details which made up a successful convention, an expression of thanks is hereby tendered as follows:

To the two Posts Grand Army of the Republic, and the two Woman's Relief Corps of Des Moines and the special committees thereof, who, by their untiring efforts have made our meeting one of marked success.

To the Des Moines Commercial Club for providing a commodious meeting place.

To the representatives of State, City and Organizations, who have given us so cordial a welcome.

To the citizens for the use of automobiles for our comfort and pleasure.

To the owners of the sweet voices who by their music added much to the impressiveness of our flag presentation and memorial service.

To the press of the city which has accorded liberal space to the reports of our meetings; to the mercantile firms who have presented us with pretty and useful souvenirs of the week.

To all our Convention Officers and workers through whose faithful and perfect service our convention was carried to a successful conclusion, and to all others who have given their time and talent to the same good end.

No. 11. That all unfinished business including reading of the minutes of the closing session be referred to the retiring Council.

Other decisions, if any, will be announced in further General Orders.

## Report of Soldiers' Home show:

Number of men in the Home.....	753
Number of women in the Home.....	302

Total number in Home.....	1055
Number of men in the Hospital.....	133
Number of women in the Hospital.....	34

Total in all.....	1222
Number buried in cemetery.....	1566

Donations of cushions of washable material, filled with cotton are needed for the old soldiers' use at the Home, and jellies will also be gratefully accepted.

The Department Treasurer reports financial status June 30, 1913, as follows:

Balance in General Fund.....	\$3,646.02
Balance in Relief Fund.....	312.81
Cash expended for relief during the year.....	\$1,738.27
Estimated value of relief other than money.....	4,052.14
Total number of persons assisted during the year.....	2,150

Consolidated reports to the National Secretary for quarter ending June 30, 1913, show the following:

Total number of Corps in good standing.....	204
Number of Corps delinquent.....	1
Number of Corps disbanded.....	6

Loss by death 189 members. Included in this number was Past National President, Mary Sears McHenry, Past Department President, Eleanor J. Hawk, and Past Department Chaplain Louise H. Arey.

Total number of members in good standing..... 11,322

The following Aides are hereby appointed on the staff of the Department President:

No.	No.
Martha Adams.....129	Jennie L. Frank.....337
Susan McGuire.....281	Elizabeth Aisten.....283
Mamie Anderson.....242	Sue Wentz....111
Catharine Curley.....351	Alice Merlien.....14
Mary Lias.....245	Nellie Feese.....314
Nina Sims.....189	Annie E. Brown.....206
Ella Bronson.....15	Margaret Hinman.....148
Mary E. Woodford.....166	Lottie Leonard.....309
Delia Mannel.....227	Lue Flewwelling.....286
Sarah First.....4	Ella Gingrich.....153
Angie Dunlap.....71	Josephine Lane.....299
Louisa Clark.....256	Flora Thorson.....55
Alice Ratekin.....250	Mary Millitt.....122
Nettie Ward.....38	Anna V. Coles.....33
Laura Boysen.....244	Eva Kutzer.....108
Ella Stokes.....15	Mary Murbarger.....277
Flora A. Nott.....105	Nellie Garriott.....201
Elizabeth Carter.....29	Lizetta Hannan.....355
Nellie J. Hazard.....349	Izetta Shaffer.....60
Sarah Tiffany.....281	Minnie L. Norris.....177

Anna C. Fay.....	26	Emma Morrison.....	21
Sallie Varga.....	206	Isophena Carpenter.....	74
Corrina P. Davie.....	278	Jennie Trzcinski.....	58
Laura Belle Walker.....	11	Adelia Giffen.....	106
Martha Ingram.....	201	Stella Bardwell.....	130
Nellie H. Witmer.....	3	Hattie L. Gilbert.....	208
May E. Jones.....	27	Lula Belle Esher.....	153
Mary Abraham.....	33	Ella Mawhor.....	314
Sue Browning.....	122	Fannie Wade.....	80
Matilda Smith.....	82	Ada G. Sherwood.....	46
Lydia Chandler.....	38	Clara Wilkins.....	82
Etta Holdridge.....	283	Ida Van Hon.....	33
Bertha Leach.....	293	May Frederick.....	104
Esther Spencer.....	180	Jennie Maxwell.....	225
May McDonald.....	323	Mary Manifold.....	136
Agnes Stram.....	62	Louise M. Gilliland.....	46
Anna W. Buck.....	140	S. E. Chiles.....	71
Alice M. Davis.....	283	Effie Craig.....	196
Kate Livingston.....	287	Jennie Snyder.....	332
Mary Arnold.....	224	Eva Willetts.....	113
Nellie McDonald.....	232	Emma Wilson.....	73
Martha Murphy.....	348	Viola Jones.....	330
Anna Belcher.....	269	Mary Penfield.....	30
Mary L. Johnson.....	321	Annetta Wells.....	5
Rose L. Harmon.....	307	Ella Bedell.....	112
Carrie Davidson.....	10	Jennie Reed.....	255
Mattie Martin.....	9	Ella Hullinger.....	312
Mattie French.....	81	Amber Mackie.....	7
Elizabeth Brough.....	327	Emily Vanderpool.....	215
Hannah Hathaway.....	194	Clara Seley.....	2
Lena Peters.....	210	Araminta Butler.....	50
Evelyn E. Parke.....	339	Julia Fairchilds.....	103
Naomi Bradley.....	251	Jennie Anderson.....	18
Lizzie Keckley.....	264	Phoebe Walker.....	123
Katie Poobaugh.....	294	Lauretta Cowles.....	134
Alice Kline.....	161	Lizzie Brown.....	200
Julia Holmes.....	48	Mary Smith.....	12
Edith S. Sill.....	144	Jennie Lockwood.....	102
Margaret Russell.....	222	Emma Neufund.....	230
Irene Trobaugh.....	344	Marie Willet.....	136
Eva Durst.....	45	Charlena Seidler.....	117
Mary Tuttle.....	216	Flora E. Brian.....	251
Nellie Busby.....	141	Ella Conklin.....	221
Cora Mahuran.....	73	Mary E. Leming.....	24
Ella G. Herbert.....	27	Anna Sutherland.....	147
Nettie Leonard.....	353	Mary Boettcher.....	34
Ella M. Thomas.....	100	Ida M. Haas.....	216

Others wishing to be added to this band of workers, will please send in their names at once, and they will be placed on the list

Department Aides are reminded of the Fund of One Hundred Dollars from which appropriations can be made for the purpose of initia-

tions, re-instating or sustaining membership of old soldiers in the G. A. R.

In recognition of meritorious efforts to strengthen the organization of the Woman's Relief Corps the Department President will award a Recognition Pin to the Aide securing the greatest gain in membership either by initiation or re-instatement from suspension; or through formation of new Corps.

Aides will be expected to report at least once each quarter to Department-Chief-of-Staff Addie E. Unangst, Davenport, or to the Department President. Commissions will be sent to all Aides who notify headquarters of acceptance of appointment. Aide badges may be procured of Department Treasurer. Price, 40 cents.

The first General Orders of the Department Commander of G. A. R., and Division Commander Sons of Veterans have been received at this office, for which this Department extends thanks and again pledges loyalty and support to these patriotic organizations.

National General Orders No. 7, announcing the National Encampment at Chattanooga, Tennessee, September 15 to 20, will accompany these Orders. Further information in reference to National Convention will appear in future orders.

Our deep sense of gratitude is hereby acknowledged for many letters of congratulations and good wishes for the administration.

Our hearty appreciation is expressed for the prompt response of Presidents in suggesting names of Aides, whose interest in our noble cause bespeaks a prosperous growth.

By Command of  
MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Department President.

ALICE COOPER,  
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Iowa. Woman's Relief Corps.  
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.  
Council Bluffs, Iowa, August 14, 1913.

#### GENERAL ORDERS. No. 3.

The important duty of Inspection of Corps draws near. September, October and November is the time designated by Rules and Regulations. Upon the commendation of the Department Inspector, whose circular letter is enclosed, the following Assistant Inspectors with assignments are hereby announced.

#### Assistant Inspector.

Department President, Mattie E. Witter, Council Bluffs—72, 108, 325, 216, 38, 20, 14, 144, 11, 126, 3, 4, 34, 24, 27, 117, 71, 264, 102, 128, 33, 122, 62, 314, 158, 180, 56, 225, 178, 60, 312.

Department Secretary, Alice Cooper, Council Bluffs—230, 283, 210. 33, 122, 62, 314, 158, 180, 56, 225, 178, 60. 76, 100, 95, 355.

Department Junior-Vice-President, Mary A. Tuttle, Greenfield—136, 82, 2.



- Department Chaplain, Nancy Clapp, Chariton—277, 206, 167.  
 Department Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd, Algona—163, 308, 287, 349.  
 Department Inspector, Carrie I. Netcott, Independence—78, 45, 221, 152, 336, 299, 37.  
 Department Counselor, Sarah A. Fox, Muscatine—21, 134, 327, 43, 263.  
 Department I. & I. Officer, Elsie B. Wade, Akron—166, 55, 39, 181.  
 Department Patriotic Instructor, Lu L. Schrack, Parkersburg—81, 303, 48, 19, 9.  
 Department Editress and Press Corr't., Anna M. Kistner, Waterloo—153, 279, 73, 103, 276.  
 Department Chief of Staff, Addie E. Unangst, Davenport—10, 253, 269, 124, 212.  
 Chairman of Executive Board, Mary E. Snyder, Des Moines—242, 341, 344.  
 Second Member of Board, Lennie Pickett, Marshalltown—335, 234, 130.  
 Third Member of Board, Emma Sheetz, Williamsburg—88, 338, 208, 202.  
 Fourth Member of Board, Margaret E. Meyers, Missouri Valley—310, 293, 111.  
 Fifth Member of Board, Elizabeth Beal, Belle Plaine—42, 171.  
 Past National President, Jenny I. Berry, Cedar Rapids—334, 281, 15, 26.  
 Past Department President, Christine Snyder Romans, Denison—201, 75, 112, 321.  
 Past Department President, Georgia B. Worker, Davenport—29, 258, 89, 101.  
 Past Department President, Fredrica Philpot, Cedar Falls—127, 83, 190, 192.  
 Past Department President, Estella E. Plopper, Iowa Falls—99, 194, 184, 30.  
 Past Department President, Lena T. Ring, Cedar Rapids—109, 224, 351, 220.  
 Past Department President, Marie L. Basham, Des Moines—98, 12, 18, 251, 147.  
 Past Department President, Jennie Whedon, Winterset—322, 196, 141, 140, 183.  
 Past Department President, Ray M. Hanchett, Waverly—339, 165, 87, 80, 353.  
 Jean Tompkins, Clear Lake—297, 215, 307, 289  
 Carrie Johnson, Waterloo—228, 244.  
 Ida M. Smyth, Chariton—32, 330, 222.  
 Lizzie Sturges, Sioux City—245, 7, 271, 189.  
 Corrina P. Davie, Newell—256, 105, 203.  
 Emma Harper, Osceola—17, 154.  
 Mary Jones, Des Moines—6, 28.  
 Inez Keifer, Hazelton—61, 164, 90.  
 Gertrude Anderson, Marion—129, 64, 41, 58.  
 Matilda Smith, Bedford—250, 324, 312.  
 Abbie Hanley, Tabor—104, 205, 214.  
 May Pier, Dubuque—123, 257, 69.  
 Ardell Duncan, Edgewood—106, 254, 46.  
 Mary Hazard, Des Moines—170, 286, 138.  
 Mary F. O'Brien, Independence—74, 255, 277, 148  
 Mary Bixby, Des Moines—332, 267, 323.  
 Stella Homrig, Mason City—142, 116, 21.

Belle Senn, Fort Dodge—113, 243, 278, 161, 329.  
 Flora E. Pond, Oskaloosa—177, 5, 294.  
 Anna Wilcox, Boone—50, 309, 110, 295.  
 Lizzie Bunger, Des Moines—207, 348.  
 Amanda Swick, Boone—347, 337.  
 Cornelia Fisher, Odebolt—200, 232, 261, 150.

It is desired that the greatest possible benefit may be derived from the visit of the Inspectors. Corps will put forth special effort to prepare to exemplify the work in the most thorough and creditable manner and have books in readiness for the Inspecting Officer.

District Conventions will be held during the months of September, October and November as follows:

	Location and Corps No.	Date.
1st District	New Hampton, 60	October 14th
2nd District	Mason City, 72	October 15th
3rd District	Humboldt, 108	October 9th
4th District	Hawarden, 325	October 7th
5th District	Woodbine, 216	October 17th
6th District	Audubon, 38	October 2nd
7th District	Fort Dodge, 20	October 10th
8th District	Parkersburg, 14	November 21st
9th District	Independence, 144	November 20th
10th District	Wyoming, 4	November 14th
11th District	Marion, 126	November 18th
12th District	Newton, 3	October 21st
13th District	Winterset, 117	September 30th
14th District	Clarinda, 71	October 28th
15th District	Osceola, 102	November 4th
16th District	Sigourney, 128	October 23rd
17th District	Mt. Pleasant, 33	November 6th

Every member in the Department should plan and arrange to attend one or more of these District Conventions, and take an active interest in the work, and make these conventions veritable and practical schools of instruction. Corps Presidents should see that their delegates are provided with a complete report of the year's work from convention to convention.

The following names are added to the staff of the Department

President:

Esther Davis .....	257	Cora Holton .....	325
Rachael Whitney .....	336	Rachael Chamberlain .....	167
Elizabeth Ruggles .....	116	Emma Meader .....	39
Lida Corbin .....	101	Ethel Hayden .....	295
Kate Bacon .....	212	Genieva Clark .....	164
Nellie Newell .....	243	Laura Eddy .....	276
Sarah Meyers .....	80	Lizzie Mackey .....	88
Mary Kenderdine .....	254	Anna Leonard .....	234
Arminta Ford .....	6	Estella Townsend .....	322
Pearl Spencer .....	76	Martha Tripp .....	64
Eliza J. Mitchell.....	330	Florence Ballentyne .....	127
Louise Adler .....	45	Minerva Sloan .....	69
R. J. Kuhnes .....	41	Virginia Underwood .....	163
Addie Gibbons .....	161	Emma Smith .....	338
Kate Eno .....	297	May Flynn .....	202

Abbie Rowe .....	158	Abigail Runkle .....	19
Lizzie Sturges .....	87	Effie Owen .....	171
Araminta Snyder .....	28	Susie Carter .....	138
Lizzie Bishop .....	154	Lucy G. Bond .....	56
Anna Hughes .....	109	Ida Boynton .....	335
Rosa J. Terrill .....	128	Harriet Huckins .....	121
Amanda Sharp .....	308	Emmie Willey .....	220
Nellie Lain .....	263	Clara C. Weldin .....	154
Jennie Sayre .....	207	Esther Lloyd .....	347
Millie Downs .....	190	Mary Hiatt .....	341
Josie Kaley .....	228	Grace Gilchrist .....	32
Emeline Thompson .....	279	Emily Kerr .....	42
Jessie Atherton .....	150	Anna Hughes .....	43
Amy Bennett .....	98	Addie Fay .....	61
Nancy Taylor .....	98	May Sargent .....	75
Sarah E. Townsend .....	200	Martha Schug .....	89
Orynthia Booe .....	205	Mae Feustal .....	95
Lucela Melvin .....	271	Jennie Davenport .....	110
Cornelia McGrew .....	283	Eliza Furgason .....	124
Myrtus Crase .....	267	Bee Schermerhorn .....	143
Elnora Emboden .....	194	Nina Hagadone .....	183
Addie Conners .....	72	Kate Akins .....	152
Emma L. Harper .....	102	Josie Gurins .....	253
Lucy F. Beckman .....	163	Ella Irvine .....	203
Jennie Coats .....	170	Almeda Taylor .....	192
Kate McCurdy .....	334	Marietta Davis .....	181

It is the desire of the Department President that each Corps shall be honored by one appointment and that through the zealous efforts of Aides each Corps will gain at least one member per quarter.

#### Roll of Honor.

The following Corps are highly commended for gain of six members or more during the quarter.

Corps	Location	Corps No.	No. Mem- bers Gained
Phil Kearney	Oskaloosa	286	9
Abe Lincoln	Council Bluffs	180	8
J. C. Ferguson	Knoxville	170	9
Shelby Norman	Muscatine	122	17
T. J. Potter	Creston	141	6
Ben Paul	Wyoming	4	7
Robt. Anderson	Waterloo	15	8
Iseminger	Chariton	17	7
Kinsman	E. Des Moines	24	8
Crocker	Des Moines	27	14
August Wentz	Davenport	34	11
Tracy	Guthrie Center	207	8

#### NATIONAL CONVENTION.

As announced from National Headquarters the Forty-seventh National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held at Chattanooga Tennessee, the week beginning September 15th, 1913.

At the same time and the same place the Thirty-first National Convention of the Womans' Relief Corps will convene. Full partic-

ulars of the same will appear in the National General Orders No. 8 which accompany these orders.

Headquarters of the Department of Iowa Womans' Relief Corps will be established at Eastern Hotel, directly opposite the Hotel Patton, Headquarters of the National, in rooms 419 and 405, where the Department Officers, Chief of Staff Addie E. Unangst, assisted by the Department Aides will be pleased to greet all members of the order, Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sons of Veterans, and all kindred organizations, and all friends of the order. Delegates who are unable to attend this convention will please notify these headquarters at once, that Alternates may be notified in time to fill vacancies. Credential cards will be mailed to all entitled to receive them. All delegates and visiting members are reminded of the necessity of obtaining the National Password from their Corps Presidents before leaving home.

As there will be no official train out of Iowa, all going can use the most convenient route to Chicago where the Iowa Special G. A. R. and W. R. C. train consisting of standard and tourist sleepers and day coaches, will leave Chicago Central Station, Lake Front and Twelfth street, at 7 p. m., Monday, September 15th, by way of the Big Four (N. Y. Central lines) and Queen and Crescent Route, passing through Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Lexington, through the blue grass region of Kentucky, arriving at Chattanooga, Tuesday, 12 noon. Commander Willett and his staff are expecting to take this train, also your Department President and party are likewise planning to go by this special, and will be greatly pleased to have the largest possible delegation join them. Further information will be found in the Department Commander's circular letter which will accompany these orders.

Since the above arrangements have been made by the Department of Iowa Womans' Relief Corps for through standard sleeper, leaving Des Moines at 9 p. m. via Rock Island lines, those not provided and desiring sleeper reservations will notify at once or apply to City Passenger Agent, Rock Island Ry., Des Moines.

Quarterly Reports will accompany these orders. To err is human, to strive for perfection is noble. Let us with renewed zeal work for perfect and prompt reports and save expense of notices and corrections. **Return in the self addressed envelope** two secretaries and two treasurers' reports with draft or money order **made payable to the order of Cornelia T. Dodd, Department Treasurer, Algona, Iowa,** on or before 5th of October. Corps Presidents will please see that blanks are properly filled; that the amount of per capita tax correspond with the number of members in good standing; that secretaries' and treasurers' reports agree, and summaries and balances are correctly given.

The Department Executive Board have elected Mary E. Snyder of Des Moines and Emma Sheetz of Williamsburg to act as Auditing Committee.

Department Headquarters and Department Treasurers' office will be closed from September 10th to September 25th. Corps desiring supplies will order at once.

A cloth coat was left at Department Convention. Write to Zena Gifford, 2108 Woodland Ave., Des Moines, for information concerning the same.

### IN MEMORIAM

"In the midst of life we are in death." Fifty-nine members of the Womans' Relief Corps have been called from the lessons of F. C. and L. to the presence of the Great Commander during the quarter. Our beloved Past Department President, Helen R. Griffith, has been called upon to pass under the rod of affliction in the loss of her dear husband her life companion. The sympathy of the Department is extended to these so sorely bereaved. The sympathy is also extended to the friends of Alice Pettit, one of our esteemed Past Department officers who died in January last. Through an omission, mention of her death was not previously made.

The sad intelligence has just reached us that the Grim Reaper has again been in our midst and culled one of our lovely treasures. Our dear Past Department President, 1910-11, Jennie Whedon of Winterset, Iowa, was stricken with apoplexy and died August 21, 1913. As we recall her genial presence at the State Convention, the message comes with a great shock. Sharing the love of all, her loss is felt throughout the state. Many hearts are bowed in grief. The sympathy of the Department goes out to the sorrowing family and friends.

"Knowledge by suffering entereth.

And life is perfected by death."

Her words, her deeds, her smiles beckon us on.

By command of

MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Department President.

Alice Cooper,  
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps,  
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic,  
Council Bluffs, Iowa, Nov. 1st, 1913.

### GENERAL ORDERS

#### NO. 4

I. Since issuing last General Orders, the Thirty-first National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps met at Chattanooga, Tennessee.

To the newly-elected President, Ida S. McBride, of Indiana, and her staff of officers, Iowa extends greetings and best wishes for a successful advancement of the growth and principles of the W. R. C.

II. To Iowa, came the honor of the office of National Inspector, in the appointment of Marie L. Basham, Des Moines. Details of the Convention will appear in the report herein enclosed of Delegate-at-Large, Flora E. Pond, Oskaloosa.

### THANKSGIVING

III. Thanksgiving, with its opportunities for service, approaches. In the midst of good cheer, the presence of friends, and abundant

blessings, grateful hearts should over-flow in kindly thoughts and deeds.

We should especially remember those whose valorous deeds cemented our nation in unity and peace.

Lay plans NOW for the comfort and pleasure of the aged veterans; their widows and orphans; the sick and needy, and our honored army nurses; and share with them the joys of generous gifts and kindly attentions. Jellies, fruits, cushions with washable covers, and quilt pieces are always gladly received at the Soldiers' Home at Marshalltown, and are especially needed NOW.

Corps will please report gifts to Department Secretary and thereby receive credit for same in General Orders.

IV. Since last General Orders were issued, there have been mailed to those entitled to receive them:

Department Journals of the Thirtieth Annual Convention.  
National General Orders No. 8.  
National General Orders No. 9.  
National Credential Cards.  
Order of Business for District Convention.  
National General Orders No. 1.  
National Pass Word in sealed envelopes.

#### CONDITION OF THE DEPARTMENT

V. Consolidated Report to the National Secretary for the quarter ending September 30th gives the following summary:

Number of Corps in good standing.....	204
Number of Corps delinquent.....	0
Number of members in good standing.....	11,283
Number reinstated by delinquent reports.....	64
Number of members suspended.....	266
Cash expended for relief.....	\$320.87
Estimated value of relief other than money.....	\$654.71
Total number of persons assisted.....	256

VI. Our suspended list shows room for work. Department Aides, and each, dear sister of the Order, what can you do personally to help restore these members to good standing?

Perhaps from you, a thoughtful act or reminding word is needed. This suspended list re-instated would help much.

VII. Since closing report to National Secretary, we rejoice to announce that a new corps, Gen. Sheridan No. 356 was instituted at I. S. H. Marshalltown by the Department President and I. and I. officer, with the following elective officers: President, Emma Gould; Sr. Vice President, Hattie Brobst; Jr. Vice President, Anna Bentley; Treasurer, Janette Todd; Chaplain, Sophia Wilcox; Secretary, Emma L. Steen.

To this energetic and enthusiastic band of women, the Department sends greetings and best wishes.

#### ROLL OF HONOR

VIII. The following corps are commended for a gain of six or more in membership during the quarter:

Name	Number	Location	Gain
Garrett	3	Newton	9
Henry Howard	89	Strawberry Pt.	6

A. M. Taylor	95	Wapello	8
Marvin Mills	106	Central City	10
Henry Seibert	212	Wilton Junction	6
Vanderburg	308	Estherville	10
G. W. Nelson	334	Hazleton	6
P. Van Norman	339	Moville	7

IX. Press correspondents are urged to send items of interest to the Department Press Correspondent who will forward them to the Grand Army Advocate, Long Beach, California. We feel the need of an official organ in our State.

#### ELECTION

X. In accordance with Rules and Regulations, the election of Corps Officers shall take place at the first regular meeting in December, or at a special meeting, if necessary, to conclude the election. Delegates and alternates to the Department Convention at Burlington shall be elected at the same time. Each Corps is entitled to at least one delegate and one alternate.

Corps having seventy-five members and a final fraction of more than one-half of that number are entitled to two delegates and two alternates.

Members six months in arrears for dues are not entitled to vote or hold office.

Choose well your officers. Consider fitness for the office to be filled.

Respect the choice of the majority and give all elected officers your loyal support.

The newly elected officers will select their Installing Officer, at once, and notify the Department Secretary of the same.

XI. A few Department Journals remain. Those desiring may secure a copy by enclosing eight cents for postage to the Department Secretary.

XII. We hereby acknowledge with thanks receipt of General Orders No. 4 from Sons of Veterans.

#### IN MEMORIAM

The news of the death of Past Department President Jennie Whedon came as a great shock while the last general orders were in press. With the announcement the command to drape charters was omitted. We feel sure this mark of respect was properly observed, as we desire it should be.

With sorrow we report the loss by death of forty-five members. Among these an honored Army Nurse, Sarah Hannah Brown of Griffith Corps, No. 281 Oelwein.

Grief entered the home of two of our past department officers:—Corinne P. Davie mourns the loss of a devoted husband. Lu L. Shrack, without a moment's warning was called to part with a niece, esteemed as a daughter. To the sorrowing friends the Department extends sympathy.

By Command of  
MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Department President.

ALICE COOPER,  
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps,  
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.  
Council Bluffs, Iowa, Dec. 5, 1913.

## GENERAL ORDERS

### No. 5.

"Through the glorious star-lit dome of heaven  
Rang a beautiful angel chime.  
You know the story, the sweet old story,  
The story of Christmas time.  
You know how the wonderful song went thrilling  
Out, out o'er a slumbering earth;  
The song of good-will and the song of glory;  
On the night of our Savior's birth."

We welcome this season of hallowed associations, and join in the glad refrain: "Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth Peace and Good-Will toward Men."

May this Christmas-tide with its sacred memories bring to each member of our Order a message of love and peace and each one receive a larger vision of how to bring cheer and material help to the veterans and their widows and orphans, and to our noble army nurses, at this blessed Christmas tide.

To our honored veterans and all members of the W. R. C. we wish "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

2. Remember our Soldiers' Home at Marshalltown with washable covered cushions, jellies and other acceptable gifts. Address boxes to C. C. Horton, Commandant Soldiers' Home, Marshalltown, Iowa.

Corps are reminded of the Orphans' Home at Davenport, and urged to make the usual contributions **early** of suitable gifts for the young, such as books, hair-ribbons, mittens, caps, gloves, scarfs, hoods and other useful articles, also contributions of money to provide entertainment for the children. Let us assist in bringing Christmas cheer to these dear children. Address boxes to F. J. Sessions, Superintendent of Soldiers Orphans' Home, Davenport, Iowa.

Write plainly the name and address of the sender, that gifts may be acknowledged.

Corps will please report to Department Secretary all contributions sent to Marshalltown or Davenport, stating the value of each, that credit may be given in General Orders.

3. All District Conventions have been held. It was the great pleasure of your Department President to attend each of these seventeen conventions. The many courtesies and expressions of good-will received were appreciated, and helped to inspire and strengthen her labors in the promotion of the work and will be long remembered. It is expected beneficial results will come from these meetings. Zealous efforts have been inspired, as local Corps have striven to exemplify the ritualistic work in the most excellent manner. All District Conventions have been located for the coming year, for which the Department President expresses her gratitude. Annual Inspections have also been held—and we believe with great profit to the Corps. The Department President and Department Inspector hereby tender their thanks to all Assistant Inspectors who have given their time and best efforts to help in the work.



4. With these Orders are Quarterly Report Blanks for the quarter ending December 31, 1913. Also two forms N, two Election Returns, and one Blank Treasurer's Bond.

Corps Presidents are earnestly requested to personally see that immediately after the last meeting in December the Quarterly Report Blanks are accurately filled out in every particular and sent at once to these headquarters with per capita tax enclosed, payable to Cornelia T. Dodd, Department Treasurer, Algona, Iowa. Every Quarterly Report should be at headquarters on or before January 1st, 1914.

5. Installation of officers will take place at the first regular meeting in January or at a special meeting called for the purpose. Joint installation with the Post is recommended. Use the opportunity. It is a privilege to be appreciated. Extend an invitation to the Sons of Veterans.

6. Treasurer's Bond must be accepted by vote of the Corps before installation.

Corps Election Return Blanks must be filled out immediately after installation by the retiring Secretary and properly attested by the retiring President, the Installing Officers and newly installed President.

Give full name and address of all officers, and the exact place and time, whether afternoon or evening, of holding Corps meetings. Immediately after installation the Installing Officer shall forward one copy to the Department Secretary and one copy to the Department I. and I. Officer, Elsie B. Wade, Akron, Iowa. The Roll Call of Department Convention, mailing list and Roster are compiled from the information on these blanks. It is therefore very important that these blanks be filled with care and completeness.

By command of

MATTIE E. WITTER.

ALICE COOPER,

Department President.

Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Iowa, Woman's Relief Corps,  
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.  
Council Bluffs, Iowa, February 1, 1914.

## GENERAL ORDERS

### No. 6.

In this the first General Orders of the new year, fraternal greetings are extended to all newly elected Presidents and Officers, and we wish for them a most prosperous and happy year. By a majority vote you represent the choice of your Corps. We feel assured you will promptly and justly discharge all duties devolving upon you with enthusiasm and pleasure and with the co-operation of each member by regular attendance, your efforts of the year will be crowned with gratifying success.

To the Retiring Officers we express our sincere appreciation for faithful service of the past, also for the many courtesies shown the Department Officers, and trust you will give of your rich experience the needed assistance for the promotion of harmony and good will.

By National Report of June 20, 1913, Iowa Department stand fourth in rank of membership, with a gain of 192 over 1912. The National shows a gain of 1,503—a total membership of 142,026.

### Condition of the Department.

Consolidated Report to National Headquarters, December 31, 1913, shows the following:

Cash expended for relief .....	\$ 534.46
Estimated value of relief other than money.....	\$1,697.55
Total number of Corps delinquent .....	0
Total numbs of Corps organized .....	1
Total number of Corps disbanded .....	3
Number of Corps in good standing.....	202
Members in good standing.....	11,505

We regret the disbandment of Corps No. 255, No. 310 and No. 225. With pleasure we report to National the organization of No. 356 of which mention was made in previous General Orders, and are pleased with its growth in membership since receiving charter.

### Roll of Honor.

Corps that have made a membership gain of six or more during the quarter by initiation and re-instatement:

Corps			Corps		
No.	Location	Gain	No.	Location	Gain
3	Newton .....	40	356	Marshalltown .....	6
15	Waterloo .....	21	24	East Des Moines ....	6
38	Audubon .....	16	33	Mt. Pleasant .....	8
102	Osceola .....	18	95	Wapello .....	14
126	Marion .....	11	106	Central City.....	6
192	Nashua .....	7	170	Knoxville .....	6
250	Shenandoah .....	8	207	Guthrie Center .....	10
278	Newell .....	6	263	Bloomfield .....	11
286	Oskaloosa .....	9	281	Oelwein .....	13
307	Osage .....	10	287	Spencer .....	6
			327	South Ottumwa.....	7

Appreciation and thanks of the Department are tendered the aides for working so earnestly and with such good results for the Corps membership. The aides were appointed by the present administration and time extends from June, 1913, to June, 1914. The promised gold recognition pin will be forthcoming to the aide who reports the greatest number gained by June 1st.

Inquiries have come to this office in regard to the duties of aides. We will take this opportunity of responding. Aides will find their duties defined in Chapter III, Article VI, Section XIII. To be selected as an aide is an expression of personal regard of your department president and a recognition of your ability to serve the W. R. C. with credit. It is especially desired that aides should interest themselves in organizing new corps in favorable places, near their own localities, also to help strengthen and encourage weak or discouraged corps, besides such other help as can be given in their own corps.

Who is the aide that will thus honor herself by organizing a new corps within the coming quarter?

Our standing in National Report for the year 1914 will be based upon the results of the quarter ending March 31st, and this should be a special incentive to advance Iowa in her rank.

**Roll of Honor for the Year 1913.**

Unless otherwise notified the gold recognition pin offered by the Department Convention to the President of the Corps initiating the largest number during the year 1913 will be awarded with pleasure to Anna M. Kistner, President of Robt. Anderson W. R. C., No. 15, of Waterloo, who has the honor of having initiated thirty-five members.

Honorary mention is made of the following Corps gaining ten or more initiates during the year 1913:

Corps No.	Where Located	Initiated 1913	Corps No.	Where Located	Initiated 1913
15	Waterloo .....	35	87	Sioux City.....	12
281	Oelwein .....	29	102	Osceola .....	12
27	Des Moines .....	28	286	Oskaloosa .....	12
170	Knoxville .....	23	4	Wyoming .....	11
24	Des Moines .....	21	74	Clear Lake.....	11
122	Muscatine .....	21	99	Webster City....	11
307	Osage .....	20	128	Sigourney .....	11
38	Audubon .....	20	308	Estherville .....	11
141	Creston .....	18	6	Grinnell .....	10
9	Marshalltown ...	16	89	Strawberry Pt...	10
327	South Ottumwa..	16	171	Marengo .....	10
32	Centerville .....	15	194	Eagle Grove.....	10
34	Davenport .....	15	207	Guthrie Center..	10
166	Ireton .....	15	245	Akron .....	10
349	Marathon .....	15	261	Rockwell City...	10
216	Woodbine .....	13	299	Dubuque .....	10
33	Mt. Pleasant....	13	336	Lamont .....	10
11	Cedar Rapids....	12	355	Columbus Jct....	10
72	Mason City.....	12			

**Donations to Soldiers' Home, Marshalltown:**

Corps No.		
4	Wyoming, pillow covers, quilt cover, jellies.....	\$13.00
11	Cedar Rapids, cushions.....	8.00
17	Chariton, cushions.....	15.00
37	Dubuque, jellies.....	15.00
38	Audubon, cushions.....	15.00
39	Sibley, canned fruit jellies, quilts, quilt pieces.....	8.00
58	Decorah, jellies, preserves.....	5.00
62	Burlington, quilt pieces.....	1.50
72	Mason City, supplies.....	6.00
76	Ft. Madison, 100 glasses of jelly.....	10.00
78	Iowa City, supplies.....	10.00
102	Osceola, jellies.....	2.00
108	Humboldt, jellies, cushions.....	6.50
202	Riverside, box of supplies.....	6.00
216	Woodbine, fruit, jellies.....	8.40
222	Russell, supplies.....	6.00
227	Britt, fruit, jellies, cushions.....	7.75
244	Grundy Center, cushions, jellies.....	6.75
245	Akron, cash .....	5.00
251	Jefferson, cushions, jellies.....	20.00
254	Lisbon, pillows, fruit, jellies, quilt pieces.....	18.00

258	Edgewood, cushions and covers, jellies, quilt pieces. . . .	5.00
278	Newell, cushions, lunch cloths, quilt pieces. . . . .	10.00
281	Oelwein, cushions. . . . .	6.50
283	Logan, cushions, jellies, quilt pieces. . . . .	15.00
297	Northwood, cushions. . . . .	8.22
332	Adel, jellies. . . . .	9.50
355	Columbus Junction, barrel of fruit. . . . .	30.00

Donations to Orphans' Home, Davenport:

#### Corps

No.

11	Cedar Rapids, cash. . . . .	\$5.00
34	Davenport, caps, ties, ribbons. . . . .	5.00
37	Dubuque, handkerchiefs . . . . .	2.20
50	Scranton, cash . . . . .	1.00
62	Burlington, cash . . . . .	5.00
89	Strawberry Point, cash. . . . .	5.00
202	Riverside, box of gifts. . . . .	6.00
227	Britt, hair ribbons, handkerchiefs, caps, games, candy. . . . .	3.50
245	Akron, cash . . . . .	5.00
281	Oelwein, handkerchiefs, hair ribbons. . . . .	2.00
349	Marathon, cash . . . . .	1.00
355	Columbus Junction, gifts. . . . .	5.00

Corps not reported please notify Headquarters.

#### Army Nurses.

A request has come for information regarding the number of army nurses that are present members of Corps in our Department. If Corps having army nurses as members will please forward names of the same to Department Headquarters the favor will be greatly appreciated.

There are a number of Department Journals of the Thirtieth Annual Convention at Headquarters. Corps members can secure these by forwarding seven cents for mailing purposes; also, Journals of the Thirty-first National, held at Chattanooga, requiring fifteen cents postage. As soon as reports are all in and the mailing list completed the national printer will forward journals to all entitled to receive them. Those sent to the presidents are to be considered corps property and expected to remain in possession of the corps for future use.

The new rituals are now in the hands of the Department Treasurer, Cornelia T. Dodd, Algona.

#### The New Roster.

Corps are asking for the new roster. All installation returns have not yet been received. We are anxiously waiting for these reports to get roster in readiness for the printer.

All orders for supplies should be made on regular requisition blanks and addressed to Cornelia T. Dodd, Department Treasure, Algona, Iowa.

Since last General Orders were issued there have been mailed from these Headquarters:

National General Orders No. 4.

National General Orders No. 5.

Patriotic Instructor Circular Letter No. 1.

The Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Department of Iowa will meet at Burlington June 16th, 17th and 18th. Further information will be given in future General Orders.

According to the decision of the Twenty-second National Convention a flag will be presented to a school at Burlington, where our annual convention will be held. We must not lose this opportunity of teaching patriotism to the young of our entertaining city. Corps are requested to send contributions for the flag to Cornelia T. Dodd, Department Treasurer, Algona, Iowa, not later than May 1st.

### Observance of National Anniversaries.

The greatness of a nation depends upon the character of its citizens.

Noble men, women and children are the Nation's finest and enduring monuments.

The Woman's Relief Corps encourages the observance of McKinley's birthday, January 29; Lincoln's birthday, February 12th; Washington's, February 22; Grant's, April 27.

The observance of the birthdays of our national heroes offer beautiful examples of noble lives that inspire and strengthen our national life. High ideals stimulate pure patriotism. Let us fittingly observe each as earnestly urged by our Patriotic Instructor's Circular Letter No. 1.

With sorrow we report the loss by death of fifty-two members during the quarter.

Ruled by His sovereign hand  
Each day's affairs remain;  
Faith gives to sorrowing hearts  
The balm of love for pain.

By Command of:

MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Department President.

ALICE COOPER,  
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps,  
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.  
Council Bluffs, Iowa, March 25, 1914.

### GENERAL ORDERS

No. 7.

"And I saw a phantom army come  
With never a sound of fife or drum;  
The men whose wasted figures fill  
The patriot graves of the nation."

May 30th is the day set apart as our nation's sacred day for honoring our soldier-dead.

As an auxiliary to the noble army of men to whom is largely due the blessings of peace maintained in our land today, we count it a privilege to share in its proper observance.

With sympathetic interest Corps will do all they can to promote the spirit of keeping this day reserved for its hallowed associations of

respecting the memory of our martyred soldier-dead, and oppose the use of the day to any diversions that would detract from its solemnity and dignity of purpose. With renewed loyalty to the principles for which they sacrificed, we again will weave the garlands of fadeless green and beautiful flowers.

We commend the practice of placing a new fresh flag on each soldier's grave—mute testimony of their patriotic devotion and mute appeal to the youth of our land to love and service of country. Corps living adjacent to bodies of water may with appropriateness honor the memory of our sailor, soldier-dead. And to assist in this ceremony copies of "Tossing flowers on the billows" can be secured from Department Treasurer.

Those lying in nameless graves throughout our land are not to be forgotten. They live in our hearts and their deeds speak for them and that is not to die.

Respect for the day exalts patriotism and our school children should be encouraged to assist with flowers, song and recitations and as far as practicable to carry a small flag in the loving spirit of its defenders.

To our dear army nurses and to the comrades who survive, and to whom this day brings sad memories, we will show our tenderest attentions and honor them with the most beautiful flowers, bringing to them the message of renewed faith and hope that no sacrifice for country is made in vain.

Corps will attend service on memorial Sunday with the comrades as far as possible and observe the usual custom of presenting a flag to the Sunday school of the church extending the courtesy.

Corps should send the names of all deceased members to the Department Chaplain before June 1st, that no name may be overlooked in the memorial service.

Contributions for Southern Memorial Fund are needed. Corps are urged to make a generous and early response, to be sent to Department Treasurer Cornelia T. Dodd, Algona, Iowa.

Circular letter of Department Chaplain is enclosed. Corps Chaplains will fill out Form J immediately after observance of Memorial Day and forward to the Department Chaplain Nancy Clapp, of Chariton, not later than June 1st.

With sincere sorrow we announce the death of Past Department Commander Colonel Charles A. Clark, who died December 22, 1913, at his home in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The sorrowing family has the sympathy of the entire Department.

By command of

MATTIE E. WITTER,

Department President.

ALICE COOPER,

Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps.  
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.  
Council Bluffs, Iowa, May 1st, 1914.

GENERAL ORDERS.

No. 8.

I. As announced in previous General Orders, the Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps. will be held at Burlington June 16-18, 1914, in the Presbyterian church on Fifth and Washington Streets.

II. Department Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic, and its Auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, will be at Hotel Burlington, where rooms can be procured at rates of \$1.00 without and \$2.00 per day with bath and up.

III. Other Hotels, New Delano, \$1.00, \$1.50. Hotel Grove, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Union Hotel, American plan, \$2.00 per day. Dun's Hotel, American plan, \$1.25-\$1.50 per day; European plan, 50 cts.-75 cts. Wagner's Hotel, American plan, \$1.25 per day; European plan, 50 cts. per day.

IV. Good meals can be had at Restaurants, Y. M. C. A. and churches at reasonable prices.

V. Rooms can be procured in private homes at the usual price of 50 cts. each, with 25 cts. extra for breakfast.

VI. Those desiring rooms reserved will write to Chairman of Entertainment Committee, Della Allander, 520 South Tenth street.

VII. Committees will be in attendance at all trains and conduct visitors to General Information Bureau, where assignment of rooms and distribution of programs will take place; also assist in finding their quarters.

VIII. Headquarters of the Woman's Relief Corps will be established at Hotel Burlington June 16th in Parlors B and A, where the Department President and Staff, assisted by the Department Aides, will extend a cordial welcome to all visiting Comrades of the Grand Army, Sons of Veterans, and all Patriotic Orders, our own membership and all friends.

IX. Aides will kindly report for duty to Chief of Staff, Addie E. Unangst, Parlor B and C, upon arrival.

X. At 9:30 a. m. Monday, June 15, the Auditing Committee and Department Inspector will meet with the Secretary and Treasurer in room 324, to examine the books of the Department.

XI. The Department Council will meet in room 324 at 8:30 a. m. Tuesday, June 16.

XII. On Tuesday at 11 a. m. will occur the flag presentation to Prospect Hill School on Harrison avenue, under the supervision of Department Patriotic Instructor Lu L. Schrack.

XIII. On Tuesday from 2:30 to 3:30 p. m. in the Reception room on Mezzanine floor of Hotel Burlington, will be tendered a Reception by the Department of Iowa Woman's Relief Corps to Commander-in-Chief Washington Gardner and Staff. The National President, Ida S. McBride, and all National and Past National Officers present, Department Commander Judge J. W. Willett and Staff of the Grand Army of the Republic and Sons of Veterans. A kindly invitation is extended to all patriotic societies and all friends to meet our honored guests.

XIV. Immediately after the Reception the Department Convention will be called to order in open session to present the Department Officers and to read the President's Report, and attend to such other business as is in keeping with an open session.

XV. A Reception and Campfire will be held in the Opera House Tuesday evening, June 16th, where the address of welcome and responses will be given. Also a Campfire on Wednesday evening in the Opera House. See program.

XVI. The Convention will be called to order Wednesday morning promptly at 9 o'clock. Let all officers be at their stations and all delegates in their seats at this hour. Visiting members will be cordially welcomed and seats reserved for them.

XVII. The voting membership of the Department convention is composed of all Department Officers, National President, Past National President, Senior Vice President, Junior Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, in good standing, in their own Department, Past Department Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, Corps Presidents, Past Corps Presidents, and all regularly elected delegates or their alternate. Corps organized after January first will be represented by their President or Vice President, according to seniority.

XVIII. Credential cards are enclosed. Presidents will see they are properly filled and placed in the hands of those entitled to receive them.

XIX. All members attending Department Convention must be in possession of the Department password, procured from their own Corps Presidents.

XX. Credential Committee will be at Headquarters, Parlors B and A, Tuesday, June 16, and at the Congregational Church Wednesday, June 17, at 8:30 a. m., where delegates will register and receive their badges.

XXI. The following are the Convention appointments:

#### Credentials Committee.

Alice Cooper .....	180	Julia Jennings .....	264
Sue Stanwood .....	122	Laura Belle Walker .....	11
Mary Brown .....	4	Ida M. Smyth .....	17



Convention Secretary, Marie L. Basham .....	24
Convention Stenographer, Sue Browning .....	122
Convention Press Reporter, Anna M. Kistner .....	15
Assistant Press Reporter, Emma Gould .....	356
Assistant Press Reporter, May E. Jones.....	27
Assistant Press Reporter, Ida Van Hon .....	33
Pianist, Maud Whedon Smith .....	117
Platform Aide, Winifred Whedon.....	117
Assistant Platform Aide, Georgia Schwartzenbach .....	56
Assistant Platform Aide, Della Allander .....	62
Assistant Platform Aide, Bonita Brown .....	144

### Conductors.

Anna Rebecca Willett .....	234	Alice M. Davis .....	283
Della L. Milliman .....	283	Lizzie Sturges .....	87
Gertrude Anderson .....	126	Annis L. Weighton.....	38

### Color Bearers.

Jennie J. Green .....	250	Lula Belle Esher .....	153
Jennie Maubeck .....	24	Dawn Tullis .....	27

### Guards.

Mary Hanson .....	37	Annie E. Brown .....	206
Abbie Hanley .....	314	Mattie Hedden .....	286
Ida Groves .....	34	Naomi Bradley .....	251

### Ushers.

Anna Crocker .....	180	Mary Calfee .....	102
Ella Thomas .....	100	Laura Boyson .....	244
Clara Sheldon .....	108	Florence Davie .....	210
Postmistress, M. E. Minton .....	27		

Additional appointments will be announced at Convention.

XXII. Department Officers are requested to forward their reports to the Department Secretary not later than June 1st, also return their badges if not expecting to attend Convention.

XXIII. Any one having bills against the Department, or Corps needing supplies, must order at once as the books of the Department Secretary and Treasurer will be closed May 20th, and remain closed until after Convention.

XXIV. Again Corps Chaplain are reminded to fill out Memorial Day blanks on form J, and forward to Department Chaplain, Nancy Clapp, Chariton, not later than June first.

XXV. Corps Patriotic Instructors will forward their annual report on form V to Lu L. Schrack, Department Patriotic Instructor, Parkersburg, not later than May 15th.

XXVI. Corps Press Correspondents will before May 15th forward their annual report on form X to Anna M. Kistner, Department Press Correspondent, Waterloo.

XXVII. Department Aides will forward the report of their year's work to Senior Aide and Chief of Staff, Addie E. Unangst, Davenport, not later than June first. From these reports will be determined the Aide who is entitled to receive the gold recognition pin given for the greatest increase in membership through their efforts.

XXVIII. All resolutions and recommendations to be presented to the Convention for consideration must be in the hands of the Secretary not later than June first.

XXIX. That the members may have time for consideration and be able to vote intelligently, a synopsis is given of a resolution that will be presented at the Thirty-first Department Convention at Burlington, as follows:

To erect a memorial building at the Capital City in honor of the loyal women of the Civil War. It shall be a Civil War museum where can be preserved the war relics and afford a place for the collection and preservation of records and literature of both Grand Army and Woman's Relief Corps, and be Headquarters for these organizations. Further information given at Convention.

XXXI. Only one Corps has responded to the request for names of army nurses. Corps Presidents will please see that these names are forwarded at once.

XXXI. General Orders have been received from National and Department Headquarters—G. A. R. Also from Sons of Veterans, which are greatly appreciated at these Headquarters.

XXXII. Through the efforts of Rosa J. Terrill, Treasurer of No. 128, Woman's Relief Corps of Sigourney, a Sons of Veterans Camp of fifty-five membership has been organized in that city. We extend a cordial welcome to the new Camp. Let us hear of other Corps ladies becoming interested in this work.

XXXIII. National encampment Grand Army of the Republic will meet in the City of Detroit, Michigan, August 31st to September 5. Headquarters of the Department of Iowa G. A. R. and its Auxiliary, the W. R. C., will be at Hotel St. Claire. Headquarters of Woman's Relief Corps will be established in room No. 16, second floor.

### **Condition of the Department.**

XXXIV. Consolidated reports to the National Secretary for the quarter ending March 31st, 1914, show the following:

Total number of Corps in good standing ..... 202

Number of Corps delinquent .....	0
Number of Corps disbanded .....	1
Number of Corps instituted .....	1
Number of members suspended .....	245
Loss of members by death .....	51
Total number of members in good standing .....	11689
Cash expended for relief .....	\$ 570.90
Estimated relief other than money .....	1,444.56
Total number of persons assisted .....	610

XXXV. We are gratified with the substantial growth in membership during the quarter. We are pleased to close the year's work with NO corps delinquent.

A buoyant spirit of activity and enthusiasm prevails which promises increased results in the coming weeks.

These earnest efforts of Corps members are gratefully appreciated; also generous contributions made to all funds by Corps.

XXXVI. The disbandment of Wm. D. Price, No. 321, Schaller, is reported. Owing to loss of members by deaths and removals the Corps regretfully surrendered its Charter.

XXXVII. We announce with pleasure the reorganization of James Welch W. R. C. No. 270, Orient. This Corps, instituted January 30th by Mary A. Tuttle, Junior Vice President, assumes its place in our ranks with enthusiastic co-operation.

#### Roll of Honor.

XXXVIII. Corps that have made a net gain of six or more during the quarter:

No.	Location.	Gain.	No.	Location.	Gain.
9.	Marshalltown .....	6	130.	Belle Plaine .....	6
15.	Waterloo .....	14	170.	Knoxville .....	6
32.	Centerville .....	9	171.	Marengo .....	7
33.	Mt. Pleasant .....	9	212.	Wilton Junction .....	11
37.	Dubuque .....	7	232.	Lohrville .....	6
38.	Audubon .....	12	254.	Lisbon .....	9
48.	Iowa Falls .....	6	257.	Monona .....	12
81.	Hampton .....	12	307.	Osage .....	27
83.	Waverly .....	8	355.	Columbus Junction ....	12
101.	Delhi .....	6	356.	Marshalltown .....	8
117.	Winterset .....	6			

We call special attention to the record of 307, Osage, which had 31 initiates this quarter.

XXXIX. Additional gifts to Soldiers' Home, Marshalltown:

Corps No.

32.	Centerville, fruits, jellies .....	\$10.50
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48.	Iowa Falls, jellies, cushions .....	4.00
55.	Rock Rapids, jellies, cushions .....	5.00
75.	Correctionville, gifts .....	15.65
109.	Williamsburg, gifts .....	10.00
130.	Belle Plaine, cushions, jellies .....	5.20
171.	Marengo, gifts .....	3.00
351.	Fairbank, box of canned fruit .....	10.00

### Gifts to Orphans' Home, Davenport.

#### Corps No.

34.	Davenport, caps, gloves, mittens .....	\$ 5.81
48.	Iowa Falls, toys, ribbons .....	3.78
58.	Decorah, toys, books, games .....	6.00
122.	Muscatine, toys, ribbons, books .....	5.00
171.	Marengo, gifts .....	19.00
351.	Fairbank, cash .....	5.00

### Contributions to Flag Fund.

#### Corps

##### No.

78.	Iowa City .....	\$ .50
80.	Le Mars .....	.50
26.	Cedar Falls .....	.50
14.	Parkersburg .....	.50
20.	Fort Dodge .....	.50
15.	Waterloo .....	.50
180.	Council Bluffs .....	1.00
72.	Mason City .....	.50
154.	Indianola .....	.50
138.	Monroe .....	.50
27.	Des Moines .....	.50
154.	Indianola .....	.50
11.	Cedar Rapids .....	.50

#### Corps

##### No.

163.	Emmetsburg .....	\$ .50
87.	Sioux City .....	.50
110.	Odebolt .....	.50
117.	Winterset .....	.50
90.	Brandon .....	.50
62.	Burlington .....	1.00
102.	Osceola .....	1.00
17.	Chariton .....	.50
58.	Decorah .....	.50
4.	Wyoming .....	.25
38.	Audubon .....	.50
24.	Des Moines .....	.50

### Contributions to Southern Memorial Fund.

#### Corps

##### No.

20.	Fort Dodge .....	\$1.00
245.	Akron .....	2.00
17.	Chariton .....	1.00
89.	Strawberry Point ....	1.00
69.	McGregor .....	.25
60.	New Hampton .....	1.00
351.	Fairbank .....	2.00
162.	Emmetsburg .....	2.00

#### Corps

##### No.

283.	Logan .....	\$ .50
277.	Garden Grove .....	1.00
37.	Dubuque .....	.50
62.	Burlington .....	.50
281.	Oelwein .....	1.00
33.	Mt. Pleasant .....	1.00
58.	Decorah .....	1.00
76.	Ft. Madison .....	.50

307. Osage .....	1.00	227. Britt .....	.50
38. Audubon .....	1.00	72. Mason City .....	1.00
24. Des Moines .....	1.00	123. Waukon .....	.50
243. Fonda .....	1.00	261. Rockwell City .....	1.00
87. Sioux City .....	2.00	329. Dayton .....	2.00
4. Wyoming .....	1.00	180. Council Bluffs .....	1.00
278. Newell .....	1.00	104. Corning .....	1.00
138. Monroe .....	1.00	171. Marengo .....	1.00
130. Belle Plaine .....	.50	45. Washington .....	2.00

Contributions sent after April 25 will be reported in final report.

XL. Not previously designated, there have been mailed from this office to those entitled to receive them:

Quarterly Report Blanks for March.

1914 Department Rosters.

National Press Correspondent's Circular Letter No. 1.

National General Orders No. 6.

National General Orders No. 7.

National Chaplain's Circular Letter No. 1.

National Patriotic Instructor's Circular Letter No. 1.

National General Orders No. 8.

XLII. It is recommended from National Headquarters that W. R. C. members assist in commemorating Mother's Day, the second Sunday in May, by wearing a white carnation.

XLII. We desire to place in circulation the National and Department Journals that remain. Corps members can secure these free by sending postage for mailing. Fifteen cents for National and eight cents for Department Journals. Send in orders promptly.

XLIII. We understand the Grand Army Advocate expects to return to Iowa. We need an official paper. The Advocate has a plan to present.

XLIV. The matter of a proposed change in our flag has been agitated.

Old Glory is dear to every patriotic heart as it is. Its present construction of stars and stripes, with a star of equal magnitude and glory to represent each state in the Union, is typical of equity and justice, the true basis of a righteous nation. Corps will protest that it remain unchanged in its familiar beauty. There is no flag like our own red, white and blue.

XLV. Three copies of General Orders are sent Corps. One copy is for President, one for Secretary and one for Treasurer. Aides who fill these offices are not sent extra copies.

XLVI. In closing this, my last official communication, my heartfelt thanks are extended to the many Departments from which Gen-

eral Orders, and invitations to the various conventions and receptions have been received. To Department Commander J. W. Willett and especially to Assistant Adjutant General George A. Newman for many acts of kindness and services rendered the Woman's Relief Corps, we express our appreciation and thanks. I have only words of praise for my official family. All have been true and faithful and whatever of success has been attained has been through the loyal support of the officers. The many expressions of good will from the Corps have helped make the duties a great pleasure.

Your faithfulness in the past is the assurance of loyalty in the future.

By command of

MATTIE E. WITTER,  
Department President.

ALICE COOPER,  
Department Secretary.

## Circular Letters

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Headquarters Department of Iowa, W. R. C.,  
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic,  
Council Bluffs, Iowa, June 30, 1913

### TO CORPS PRESIDENTS:

I am sending greetings to your Corps, and request you to send me immediately, the name of a worthy member to be placed on the list of Aide appointments; one who will appreciate the honor and be willing to work for an increase of membership in our order. I would suggest to every member whenever possible, to inform all ladies of the admission of "Loyal Women" into our beloved Order.

Let us work together for this advancement, thereby honoring greatly the old veterans with a larger membership in their Auxiliary.  
Very sincerely yours in F. C. & L.,

MATTIE E. WITTER,

Department President.

Headquarters of Dept. of Iowa W. R. C.,  
Office of Department Inspector,  
Independence, Iowa, August 12, 1913.

### CIRCULAR LETTER

#### No. 1

In accordance with our Rules and Regulations for inspection, the appointments have been made and the work of inspection must be completed during the months of September and October and November.

I earnestly wish that each inspector may attend at least one District Convention before doing her work.

Corps Presidents will please reply promptly to all communications from their inspectors and accept dates named by them if possible at all. The inspectors give of their time freely and you should comply with their pleasure. See to it that your books are audited and in proper shape for her to inspect. All Corps must pay the actual traveling expenses and entertain the inspector unless financially unable. Then the expense account must be sent to the Department Inspector for approval and will then be paid by the Department.

To Assistant Inspectors:— Having received your appointment as Assistant Inspector, it is your duty to become familiar with the latest ritual, service book and Rules and Regulations of our Order in order that you may be able to help, and with kindly advice, to inspire and benefit each member.

Give each Corps at least ten (10) or more days' notice and plan your route economically.

Inspect and place your signature upon the books of the Corps Secretary and Treasurer, and, if possible, plan to do this before the Corps meeting.

Pay particular attention to the floor work; observe the little things that make up the work and the standard of excellence; discourage all additions to the work; the beauty of our work is its simplicity.

If you have a weak Corps, give it special attention; endeavor to find some way of helping it that it may take on new life and energy.

Do not hurry your work; take time to perform the work, encourage the members to ask questions and make your inspection one of the best that the Corps ever had.

Fill out Inspection Blank Form O, and place on the margin the amount charged to each Corps for your expenses, according to Department Law.

Answer all questions fully and send one copy to the Department Inspector within ten (10) days after inspection.

Sincerely in F. C. & L.,

CARRIE I. NETCOTT.

Approved:

Department Inspector.

MATTIE E. WITTER, Department President.

ALICE COOPER, Department Secretary.

Office of Department Patriotic Instructor, W. R. C.

Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Parkersburg, Iowa, January 10, 1914.

## CIRCULAR LETTER

### No. 1

To Corps Patriotic Instructors:

You have been honored by your Corps President with the appointment to an office in your Corps which represents the greatest possibilities and responsibilities of any office in the glorious work of our Order. The Woman's Relief Corps was organized primarily to be of assistance and encouragement to the Grand Army of the Republic. This a noble band of true hearted women has striven to do during all the years of its existence. Our work has gradually broadened out year after year. We stood ready to help the soldier as he stood in the strength and vigor of his stalwart manhood; we stand ready to help him today as he is garnering in the sheaves of a well spent harvest of devotion to his country, his flag, his God. Our personal work for the old soldier is gradually lessening. Our brave boys are growing fewer in number each year, and soon we must add to our work the quota of labor which they have performed. We must in time become the leaders in the work of teaching patriotism, in keeping alive the principles for which these men fought, for which so many of them made of their lives a living sacrifice. Our work must develop along the lines of the teaching of patriotism to the youth of our land. We must teach them to become men who when the need comes will be willing to take up the world's battles for right, not only on the battlefields of blood and carnage but on the battlefields of right against wrong, of love against hate, of purity against vice. We must teach them love and reverence for the flag saved to them by men who waded through blood that its folds might not be smirched by foul treason or rebellion. Patriotism, true love for our flag and our country, implanted firmly in the hearts of our youth, will lift our country high above the menace



of traitors at home or abroad. Let us make the teaching of patriotism the keynote of our lives. Let us make our boys such men as will be willing to sacrifice their lives if need be for the safety and purity of our nation. Our soldiers, their example in patriotism, led by the great and noble Lincoln, carried our flag through a bloody and cruel war to a noble and illustrious victory.

Let us teach the observance of our national anniversaries. Let us teach them to honor the virtues of the noble men, whose birthdays we celebrate, chiefest among them the birthday of our own beloved Lincoln. The life of Lincoln appeals most to the Woman's Relief Corps. His deeds mean more to us, come closer home to our hearts, than those of others of our country's heroes. He was chief of the grand army. He was the leader who carried in his heart the woes and sorrows of a burdened nation. He was the hero who, under God's guidance, brought our army through the shadows of that dark and dreadful struggle into the light of a glorious victory.

Let us this year make the observance of Lincoln's birthday our highest achievement. Teach the children in our schools of the greatness and nobility of this character. Teach them that in learning of Lincoln, his life and his nobleness, they are learning lessons in true patriotism, in true manhood. Let us make a special effort to have a Lincoln's birthday program given in every school in our state this year. Let February 12th be patriotism day, and let each child do something this year to honor the noble character of our martyred president.

Visit the schools in your vicinity and interest the teachers in the observance of our national anniversaries. First comes McKinley's birthday, January 29th; then Lincoln's birthday, February 12th; Washington's birthday, February 22d; Grant's birthday, April 27th; Peace and Arbitration Day, May 18th; Memorial Day, May 30th; Flag Day, June 14th; Independence Day, July 4th, and Citizens' Sunday, the first Sunday in October. See that the schools are supplied with oleographs of the history of the flag, with Declaration of Independence charts and patriotic primers. See that each school has a flag and that the pupils are taught the proper salute to old glory. Furnish them with literature where needed. The printed salute to the flag is for free distribution, and the National Treasurer has patriotic selections for sale for the mere cost of the printing. Visit the schools personally. Let the pupils know that you are interested in them and let them know that the Woman's Relief Corps is interested in teaching patriotism and reverence for the flag.

If there is a school where Lincoln's birthday is not observed, suggest to them a program and see that as many members of your Corps as possible attend the exercises. If it is practicable present each child with a tiny silk flag, a Perry picture of Lincoln or a Lincoln button.

Patriotic contests in the schools will excite interest. Prizes offered for the best essay on the history of our flag are a means of promoting education along this line.

See that flag day is observed by every member of your Corps. Let each Relief Corps woman put out her own flag and suggest to her friends to do the same. Let old glory wave on this one day of the year to show our soldiers that we do not forget the sacrifice they made that our flag may float unstained and untrammelled.

We have a little observed decision, p. 105 Red Book, that Humane Teaching and Peace and Arbitration shall be considered patriotic instruction or education. Literature along these lines may be obtained from American Humane Society, 45 Milk St., Boston, Mass.

We have new laws on our statute books in regard to placing flags on school houses, also a new law to prevent desecration of the flag. When you visit the schools, explain these laws where they are not thoroughly understood. Be ready with suggestions as to how these flags may be obtained if they are not already furnished by the school board. The following is a suggestion for a Lincoln's Day program:

Reading from The Perfect Tribute.

Song, The Star Spangled Banner.

Recitation.

Song.

Lincoln's Boyhood Days.

Lincoln as a President.

Lincoln as Commander-in-chief of the Army.

Song.

I have prepared a synopsis of The Perfect Tribute and am sending it to you with this, hoping it may be of help to you in putting out this program which I have suggested. If it is not used in the program can you not have it read for good of the Order at your meeting nearest to this date?

Later the report blanks will be sent you. These should be made up to represent the work along patriotic lines done by your Corps since last Department Convention. One copy of this report is filed by you and the other sent by your Corps President to Department Patriotic Instructor. It is necessary that Corps Patriotic Instructors be prompt in making out these reports as the work of the Department for the year is tabulated from them for the Department Convention, and is a very important part of our work.

In conclusion, let me urge you to earnest work in your office this year. This work is our stronghold; it is the rung of the ladder upon which the Woman's Relief Corps may stand and sway the pendulum of the public mind toward purity in political government, in affairs of state, in the world's work.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

LU L. SCHRACK,

Department Patriotic Instructor.

Approved:

MATTIE E. WITTER, Department President.

ALICE COOPER, Department Secretary.

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### THE PERFECT TRIBUTE.

The story of The Perfect Tribute deals with Lincoln upon the occasion of the dedication of a portion of the battlefield of Gettysburg as a last resting place for the men who had fallen in battle there.

On the morning of November 18, 1863, a special train drew out from Washington, carrying a distinguished company. These were the men of note from the capital going to the battlefield of Gettysburg. In their midst, as they stood about the car before settling for the journey, towered a sad man, preoccupied, unassuming; a man awkward and ill-dressed; a man as he leaned slouchingly against the wall, of no grace of look or manner, in whose haggard face seemed to be the suffering of the sins of the world. Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States, journeyed with his party to assist at the consecration the next day of the national cemetery at Gettysburg.

The journey was made without interruption and Lincoln sat mostly in silence thinking of the morrow and of the words that he must say, the words a waiting nation would expect from their president.

The morrow came, and Edward Everett, the orator for the occasion, thrilled his audience for two hours with words that have taken a place in literature. When Lincoln rose to make his speech his appearance made a ghastly impression on the vast audience. The president understood, but he had something to say to them; what did it matter about him or his voice?

"Four score and seven years ago," spoke the President, "our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any other nation, so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of it as a final resting-place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But in a larger sense we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow, this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they here gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain, that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

There was no sound from the vast, silent assembly. They gave him no applause and Lincoln felt that his speech, as he had feared, had been a failure. The disappointment of it cut into his soul.

The special train returned to Washington in the night. There was no rest for this man at the wheel of the nation the next day. He felt sorely in need of air and left the White House alone for a walk. He was met at the corner by a lad of fifteen years who stumbled against him and whom Lincoln saw was in tears. The lad was in search of a lawyer to make the will of his dying brother in the prison hospital, a captain in the confederate army. Lincoln promised to aid him and accompanied him to the bedside of his brother. The young man, almost a boy, too, lay like a white shadow on his pillow, gasping for breath. Lincoln told him his name, and that he was a Yankee. The

simple will was drawn and Lincoln rose to take his leave. The confederate captain urged him to stay, he wanted to talk to him about his namesake, the man who made the speech at Gettysburg the day before. He said, "I'm Southern to the core of me, I believe with my soul in the cause I've fought for, but that President of yours is a remarkable man; he yesterday made one of the greatest speeches of history." "What?" demanded Lincoln. "I know what I'm talking about. My father was a speaker; I've been brought up on oratory. I know a speech when I see it." Then the lad told Lincoln what Senator Warrington, who had been in Gettysburg the day before, had said of the speech. "He said that the speech went home to the hearts of all those thousands of people so that when it was ended it was as if the whole audience held its breath—there was not a hand lifted to applaud. One might as well applaud the Lord's Prayer—it would have been sacrilege. And they all felt it—down to the lowest. There was a long minute of reverent silence, no sound from all that great throng—it seems to me, an enemy, that it was the most perfect tribute that has ever been paid by any people to any orator. It will live, that speech. Fifty years from now American schoolboys will be learning it as a part of their education. It is not merely my opinion; the whole country is ringing with it." The soldier insisted on Lincoln's hearing the speech read. The impetuous Southerner went on: "Of course it's all wrong from my point of view. The thought which underlies it is warped, yet that doesn't alter my admiration of the man and his words. I'd like to put my hand in his before I die, and I'd like to tell him that I know that what we're all fighting for, the best of us, is the right of the thing as we see it." And he died with the hand of Lincoln in his. And Lincoln knew.

Headquarters Department of Iowa, W. R. C.  
Office Department Chaplain  
Chariton, Feb. 10, 1914.

# CIRCULAR LETTER

No. 1

To Corps Chaplains—Greetings:—

Another year is flitting away and we will be brought to the time of Memorial Day. O! not in vain our martyrs sighed and not in vain our heroes died. Leaves have their time to fall and flowers to wither at the north winds' breath and stars to set. Thou hast all seasons for time, O! Death. Cover them over with flowers and leave them to rest with memorial honors over their breasts.

I sincerely desire a roll of honor in which every Corps will be represented. It will include all reports received on or before June 5th. Be very careful to give exact number of graves decorated and number of members of our Order who have passed away since last Memorial Day. I do pray for and beseech for a perfect co-operation with every one of my Corps Chaplains that the reports may be correct and without delay forwarded to me by June 1.

Lovingly in F., C. and L.,

NANCY CLAPP,

Department Chaplain.

Approved:

MATTIE E. WITTER,

Department President.

Alice COOPER,

Department Secretary.

Office of Department Press Correspondent, W. R. C.,  
326 W. Third Ave. Waterloo, Iowa, April 20, 1914.

## CIRCULAR LETTER

No. 1.

To Corps Presidents and Press Correspondents:

Greeting:

Find enclosed two copies of Press Correspondents' blanks. Corps Presidents will see that the blanks are filled out by your Press Correspondent and return promptly one copy to Department Press Correspondent's office not later than June 1, 1914 (enclosed find addressed envelope for return of blanks to this office); and file one copy with your Secretary for future reference.

I trust that every Press Correspondent will send a complete record on Form X, of all work performed by your Corps from June 1, 1913. Please make full report so your Corps may stand accredited in my report to the Department President, which must be filed at our Department Headquarters.

If there is anything you fail to understand about the press blanks, write me at once for information.

Faithfully yours in F. C. and L.,

ANNA M. KISTNER,

Department Editress and Press Correspondent.

Approved:

MATTIE E. WITTER,

Department President.

ALICE COOPER,

Department Secretary.



IDA S. McBRIDE  
NATIONAL PRESIDENT

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### 1884. MARSHALLTOWN

E. G. Miller,  
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Waterloo.

C. B. Stillson,  
Asst. Adjutant General,  
Waterloo.

D. R. Weaver,  
Asst. Quartermaster Gen.,  
Waterloo.

Mattie Dawson,  
Department President,  
Agency.

Maggie Monroe,  
Department Secretary,  
Agency.

Mattie N. Allen,  
Department Treasurer,  
Agency.

### 1885, DAVENPORT

W. R. Manning,  
Department Commander  
Newton.

N. Townsend,  
Asst. Adjutant General,  
Newton.

John L. Matthews,  
Asst. Quartermaster Gen.,  
Newton.

Hattie E. Marshall,  
Department President,  
Wyoming.

Maggie Monroe,  
Department Secretary,  
Agency.

Mattie N. Allen,  
Department Treasurer,  
Agency.

### 1886, SIOUX CITY

W. A. McHenry,  
Department Commander  
Denison.

Geo. L. Wright,  
Asst. Adjutant General,  
Denison.

Melvin Smith,  
Asst. Quartermaster Gen.,  
Denison.

Clara E. Nichols,  
Department President,  
Des Moines.

Maggie Monroe,  
Department Secretary,  
Agency.

Emily McCord,  
Department Treasurer,  
Des Moines.

### 1887, DUBUQUE

J. M. Tuttle,  
Department Commander  
Des Moines.

J. W. Muffley,  
Asst. Adjutant General,  
Des Moines.

R. L. Chase,  
Asst. Quartermaster Gen.,  
Des Moines.

Mary Sears McHenry,  
Department President,  
Denison.

Hannah R. Plimpton,  
Department Secretary,  
Denison.

Georgia Wade McClellan,  
Department Treasurer,  
Denison.

### 1888, CEDAR RAPIDS

E. A. Consigny,  
Department Commander  
Avoca.

J. W. Muffley,  
Asst. Adjutant General,  
Des Moines.

W. C. Davis,  
Asst. Quartermaster Gen.,  
Avoca.

Myra E. Hankey,  
Department President,  
Brooklyn.

Emma E. Buchanan,  
Department Secretary,  
Victor.

Fannie Dorrance,  
Department Treasurer,  
Brooklyn.



### 1889, BURLINGTON

Charles H. Smith,  
Department Commander  
Mt. Pleasant.  
Thomas H. Bereman,  
Asst. Adjutant General,  
Mt. Pleasant.  
J. G. Rounds,  
Asst. Quartermaster Gen.,  
Mt. Pleasant.

Lottie D. Stocking,  
Department President,  
Denison.  
Hannah R. Flimpton,  
Department Treasurer,  
Denison.  
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Department Treasurer,  
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### 1890, DES MOINES

Mason P. Mills,  
Department Commander  
Cedar Rapids.  
Charles L. Longley,  
Asst. Adjutant General,  
Tipton.  
R. L. Chase,  
Asst. Quartermaster Gen.,  
Des Moines.

Seraphine H. Osgood,  
Department President,  
Mt. Pleasant.  
Mary M. Welch,  
Department Secretary,  
Mt. Pleasant.  
Augusta L. Cozier,  
Department Treasurer,  
Mt. Pleasant.

### 1891, DUBUQUE

Charles L. Davidson,  
Department Commander  
Hull.  
Charles L. Longley,  
Asst. Adjutant General,  
Cedar Rapids.  
B. H. Templin,  
Asst. Quartermaster Gen.,  
Hull.

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Department President,  
West Union.  
Nannie B. Howe,  
Department Secretary,  
Des Moines.  
Augusta L. Cozier,  
Department Treasurer,  
Mt. Pleasant.

### 1892, OTTUMWA

J. J. Steadman,  
Department Commander  
Council Bluffs.  
M. L. Leonard,  
Asst. Adjutant General,  
Des Moines.  
R. L. Chase,  
Asst. Quartermaster Gen.,  
Des Moines.

Sara L. Rothrock,  
Department President,  
Cedar Rapids.  
Senie R. Bye,  
Department Secretary,  
Cedar Rapids.  
Laura Creighton,  
Department Treasurer,  
Des Moines.

### 1893, KEOKUK

Phil. Schaller,  
Department Commander  
Sac City.  
M. L. Leonard,  
Asst. Adjutant General,  
Des Moines.  
D. W. Graff,  
Asst. Quartermaster Gen.,  
Sac City.

E. Flora Evans,  
Department President,  
Clinton.  
Althea O. Conable,  
Department Secretary,  
Clinton.  
Laura Creighton,  
Department Treasurer,  
Des Moines.

### 1894, COUNCIL BLUFFS

George A. Newman, Department Commander Cedar Falls.	E. Flora Evans, Department President, Clinton.
R. L. Chase, Asst. Adjutant General, Des Moines.	Althea O. Conable, Department Secretary, Clinton.
V. P. Twombly, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Des Moines.	Nannie B. Howe, Department Treasurer, Des Moines.

### 1895, CLINTON

J. K. P. Thompson, Department Commander Rock Rapids.	Helen R. Griffith, Department President, Mt. Pleasant.
R. L. Chase, Asst. Adjutant General, Des Moines.	Florence M. Griffith, Department Secretary, Mt. Pleasant.
W. W. Gardner, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Rock Rapids.	Helen E. Longley, Department Treasurer, Marshalltown.

### 1896, CEDAR RAPIDS

Josiah Given, Department Commander Des Moines.	Helen R. Griffith, Department President, Mt. Pleasant.
R. L. Chase, Asst. Adjutant General, Des Moines.	Florence M. Griffith, Department Secretary, Mt. Pleasant.
I. G. Rounds, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Des Moines.	Helen E. Longley, Department Treasurer, Marshalltown.

### 1897, MARSHALLTOWN

Amos H. Evans, Department Commander Keokuk.	Georgia Wade McClellan, Department President, Denison.
D. W. McElroy, Asst. Adjutant General, Keokuk.	Helen R. Griffith, Department Secretary, Mt. Pleasant.
R. L. Chase, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Des Moines.	Kate Hanchett, Department Treasurer, Waverly.

### 1898, SIOUX CITY

R. W. Tirrill, Department Commander Manchester.	Georgia Wade McClellan, Department President, Denison.
Henry A. Dyer, Asst. Adjutant General, Mason City.	Agnes Muir, Department Secretary, Denison.
W. A. Abbott Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Des Moines.	Kate Hanchett, Department Treasurer, Waverly.

### 1899 WATERLOO

C. F. Bailey, Department Commander, Ireton.	Lizzie S. Hutchison, Department President, Lake City.
L. M. Black, Asst. Adjutant General, Ireton.	Georgia Wade McClellan, Department Secretary, Denison.
John Shanley, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Des Moines.	Mira L. Parker, Department Treasurer, Des Moines.

### 1900, DAVENPORT

Madison B. Davis, Department Commander, Sioux City.	Christine C. Snyder, Department President, Creston.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.	Georgia Wade McClellan, Department Secretary, Denison.
M. T. Scanlon, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Des Moines.	Mira L. Parker, Department Treasurer, Des Moines.

### 1901, DUBUQUE

George Metzger, Department Commander, Davenport.	Georgia B. Worker, Department President, Davenport.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.	June Allen, Department Secretary, Davenport.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.	Estella E. Plopper, Department Treasurer, Iowa Falls.

### 1902, DES MOINES

John Lindt, Department Commander, Council Bluffs.	Mira L. Parker, Department President, Des Moines.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.	Sarah A. Windsor, Department Secretary, Des Moines.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.	Estella E. Plopper, Department Treasurer, Iowa Falls.

### 1903, CEDAR RAPIDS

L. B. Raymond, Department Commander, Hampton.	Jennie I. Berry, Department President, Cedar Rapids.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.	Kathrine Farmer, Department Secretary, Cedar Rapids.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.	Artie Brobst, Department Treasurer, Knoxville.

**1904, Mason City**

R. T. St. John, Department Commander, Riceville.

Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.

Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.

Frederica Philpot, Department President, Cedar Falls.

Nellie B. Pierce, Department Secretary, Cedar Falls.

Artie Brobst, Department Treasurer, Knoxville.

**1905, Oskaloosa**

‡S. H. Harper, Department Commander, Ottumwa.

Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.

Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.

‡Eleanor J. Hawk, Department President, Colfax.

Nellie H. Witmer, Department Secretary, Newton.

Jennie H. Trout, Department Treasurer, Des Moines.

**1906, Boone**

‡Chas. A. Clark, Department Commander, Cedar Rapids.

Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.

Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.

Addie E. Unangst, Department President, Davenport.

Marie Rorabock, Department Secretary, Davenport.

Jennie H. Trout, Department Treasurer, Des Moines.

**1907, Dubuque**

David J. Palmer, Department Commander, Washington.

Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.

Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.

Estella E. Plopper, Department President, Iowa Falls.

Clara A. Carpenter, Department Secretary, Iowa Falls.

Lenna Coleman-Leaming, Department Treasurer, Sanborn.

**1908, Cedar Rapids**

J. C. Milliman, Department Commander, Logan.

Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.

Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.

Lena T. Ring, Department President, Marion.

Lydia W. Nott, Department Secretary, Marion.

Lena Coleman Leaming, Department Treasurer, Sanborn.

**1909, Fort Dodge**

M. McDonald, Department Commander, Fort Dodge.	Marie L. Basham, Department President, Des Moines.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.	Alcena M. Markle, Department Secretary, Des Moines.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.	Jessie McKay, Department Treasurer, Decorah.

**1910, Des Moines.**

‡H. A. Dyer, Department Commander, Mason City.	‡Jennie Whedon, Department President, Winterset.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.	Rettie M. Greer, Department Secretary, Winterset.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.	Jessie McKay, Department Treasurer, Decorah.

**1911, Muscatine**

Lot Abraham, Department Commander, Mt. Pleasant.	Ray M. Hanchett, Department President, Waverly.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.	Kate Hanchett, Department Secretary, Waverly.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.	Mira O. McFarland, Department Treasurer, Chariton.

**1912, Mason City**

J. D. Brown, Department Commander, Leon.	Sarah A. Fox, Department President, Muscatine.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Cedar Falls.	Sue Stanwood, Department Secretary, Muscatine.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Cedar Falls.	Mira O. McFarland, Department Treasurer, Chariton.

**1913, Des Moines**

J. W. Willett, Department Commander, Tama.	Mattie E. Witter, Department President, Council Bluffs.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Adjutant General, Des Moines.	Alice Cooper, Department Secretary, Council Bluffs.
Geo. A. Newman, Asst. Quartermaster Gen., Des Moines.	Cornelia T. Dodd, Department Treasurer, Algona.
‡Deceased.	

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